
Grand Chapter of Alberta

Order of the Eastern Star



OFFICERS' REPORTS

1934

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

S. EDITH DAWSON

To the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, Members, Distinguished Guests and Visitors of this Twenty-third Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star:

Greetings:

Once again it is time for another Worthy Grand Matron to render an account of her stewardship in the service of this Grand Chapter.

Today, like Ruth of old, having gathered here a little and there a little, I stand before you with my gleanings and sincerely hope they will gladden your hearts and meet with your approval.

I thank the Giver of all good Gifts who has directed my footsteps, who has watched over me and mine, and given me health, strength and courage to carry on. He has truly strengthened and upheld me by the right hand of His power.

I thank you for the experience and privilege that have been mine. When I assumed this office, I fully realized the great responsibility that rested upon me, but with the help of God, I resolved to perform the duties faithfully and to the best of my ability, and to labour for the Good of the Order. This I have striven to do, with justice to all and partiality to none. Whether I have made a success or a failure, I can say with a clear conscience that I have tried to impress upon all the fact that we must keep to the landmarks of the Order, obey the Ritual, remember our Obligation and live the teachings of the Order in our daily lives.

No doubt I have made mistakes, for I am but human, but I hope these may be but stepping stones of advancement for my successor.

Many beautiful words of Welcome have been extended to you, but none more sincere than mine. We are glad to have with us those who are able to attend the Session year after year. Your familiar faces lend a home-like air to our gathering. To those who are here for the first time, especially the newly installed Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, strive to make this but a beginning of many years of attendance, for the future of the Order depends upon you. I have had the pleasure of meeting you all in your own Chapter rooms and I am happy to meet and greet you in this Grand Chapter room.

Sisters and Brothers, when you elected me to this exalted position, you wished me success and followed up the wishes with loyal support and co-operation; it is a joy to look into your happy faces and say "I do appreciate your kindness and consideration." In a few more hours, I can no longer address you as your Worthy Grand Matron, but I have a feeling I shall always be your Friend.

This is your Grand Chapter as well as mine, and I hope you will not be disappointed in the deliberations of this Grand Body. We are here

to discuss the work and problems of our Order. Let us, if necessary, be ready to accede a point generously and graciously, keeping in mind the "Golden Rule."

To our distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend a cordial welcome. May your sojourn with us be the means of strengthening the fraternal ties and help us for the great work we strive to do. Dear friends from Montana, how happy I am to have you present at my Grand Session. I appreciate your driving so many miles.

I am happy to greet so many of our own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Your presence is evidence of the fact that the Order of the Eastern Star still holds your interest and love. We look for your support and co-operation.

To all who could not be with us, I ask the delegates to carry back my regrets, my love, and sincere good wishes.

IN MEMORIAM

"In the measureless realm of time, how brief is our earthly life."

'O wondrous scheme of Love and Grace;
In heavenly mansions fair,
Within the Father's house, a place
Our Saviour doth prepare;
By our dear Lord we shall be led,
His glory there to see;
'That where I am,' so He hath said,
'There ye may also be.'"

We rejoice that the chain of our Grand Officers remains unbroken, but sorrow that the "Angel of Death" entered the ranks of our Past Grand Officers and called one of our dearly beloved Past Grand Matrons.

Sister Isabella Duff, our first Worthy Grand Matron, answered the summons at her home in Olds on January 18th, 1934. She was a devoted and earnest worker in our Order.

The Grand Chapter was represented at her funeral by Bro. E. A. W. Rutherford, Worthy Grand Patron, and other present and past Grand Officers. I regret my inability to attend. A floral Star was sent from this Grand Chapter, and the customary notices were sent to each Subordinate Chapter.

To the bereaved husband, Bro. John Duff, P.G.P. and his family, we extend deepest sympathy.

The "Silent Messenger" entered the home of Past Grand Patron, Bro. Barnes, calling his dear wife, and our Associate Grand Conductress lost her beloved father, and with them we truly sympathize.

From the homes of the members of our Subordinate Chapters many have been called to the "Great Beyond," and to the bereaved in this and other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend our loving sympathy.

Standing beside the broken column, we are reminded of the uncertainty of human life, but with Martha's trustful faith we look beyond the shores of time and know they are waiting to welcome us to our Eternal Home.

A fitting Memorial Service will be held this evening in memory of our loved ones.

I recommend that the customary pages in our Grand Chapter Proceedings be dedicated to the memory of the departed in this and Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

OFFICIAL ACTS

After my election and with the approval of the Worthy Grand Patron, my first official act was to select and appoint the following Grand Officers as our "Official Family:"

Grand Chaplain	-----	Mrs. Harriet M. Washburn
Grand Marshal	-----	Mrs. Isabella Stokes
Grand Organist	-----	Mrs. Margaret A. Coppack
Grand Adah	-----	Mrs. Janet B. Kirkpatrick
Grand Ruth	-----	Mrs. Tena A. Wagler
Grand Esther	-----	Mrs. Mabel Bashor
Grand Martha	-----	Mrs. S. Belle Arney
Grand Electa	-----	Mrs. Christina D. Liddell
Grand Warder	-----	Mrs. Mary E. Anderson
Grand Sentinel	-----	Mr. George H. Taylor

At a meeting of the Board of General Purposes held immediately at the close of our last Session, in accordance with the Rules in our Constitution, the Board elected the Chairman of the following sub-committees; the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary selecting the balance of the committees, and I have great pleasure in confirming the following appointments, the first named being the Chairman:

Jurisprudence—Mrs. Mary C. McClenaghan, Mrs. Jennie M. Blair, Miss Mamie G. E. Gibson, Mrs. Lottie I. Kenny, Mr. Wm. J. Steel.

Grand Officers Reports—Mrs. Alice Darlow, Mrs. Isabella Duff, Mrs. Margaret E. Carter, Mr. S. J. Hughes, Mr. Thos. W. Bull.

Finance—Mrs. Ella L. Beaubier, Mrs. Alice M. Sparling, Mrs. Mabel C. Hartman, Mrs. May E. Wilson, Mr. D. H. Tomlinson.

Charters and Dispensation—Miss Ella C. Isaac, Mrs. Jessie Flett, Mrs. Mary Harwood, Mr. G. E. Wiseman.

Appeals and Grievances—Mrs. May I. Irvine, Mrs. Grace K. Tilley, Mrs. Edna A. McFee, Mr. D. J. Garnes, Mr. Theo. P. Neumann.

Courtesies—Mrs. Maude L. Cullens, Mrs. Jennie G. Carmichael, Mrs. Janet S. Astley, Mr. W. A. C. Watt.

Home Fund—Mr. Thos. Bull, General Chairman and Northern District; Mr. M. W. Dawson, Mrs. Mary E. Turner, Mr. Wm. J. Steel, Chairman Calgary District; Miss Ella C. Isaac, Mrs. Jennie M. Blair, Mr. Chas Stuart, Mr. Herbert G. Stretton, Chairman Lethbridge District; Mrs. Ella L. Beaubier, Champion; Mr. T. P. Neuman, Pincher Creek.

Ritual and Constitution—Mrs. Mary C. McClenaghan, Mrs. Jessie Flett, Mrs. Ella L. Beaubier, Mr. Sam J. Blair.

Credentials—Mr. Martin W. Dawson, Mrs. Mary Turner, Mrs. Grace B. Shaw, Mr. John Duff, Mr. F. E. Nicol.

Fraternal Correspondence—Mrs. Margaret Logie, Mrs. Mabel C. Hartman, Mrs. Grace K. Tilley.

Scrutineers—Mr. Herbert G. Stretton, Mrs. E. Grace Scaife, Miss Mamie G. E. Gibson, Mr. F. B. Watson, Mr. Hugh Ritchie.

CHAPTER CONSTITUTED

On Tuesday, September 26th, 1933, I had the pleasure of Constituting Ada Chapter, No. 88, Monitor, ably assisted by Sister J. M. Blair, P.G.M., acting Associate Grand Matron; Bro. Chas. Stuart, Associate Grand Patron; Bro. S. J. Blair, Grand Secretary; Sister Isabella Stokes, Grand Marshal; Sister Marie Harwood, Grand Treasurer, acting Grand Chaplain and Bro. M. W. Dawson, P.G.P., acting Grand Sentinel.

It was a pleasure to install the officers into their respective stations, especially as this was their first birthday. After the meeting a birthday party was held and very much enjoyed. We visitors appreciated all that was done for our entertainment.

Although the members of Adah Chapter have many miles to go over very rough roads, and many difficulties to overcome, they are very enthusiastic.

CHAPTERS INSTITUTED

Grand Chapter is happy to welcome one new Chapter into our field of labour, and we shall rejoice to find the members excelling in zeal, keeping in mind that all things should be done for the Good of the Order and self be forgotten. I regret that official duties did not permit my accepting their invitation to be present.

INVITATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS

During the year many invitations have been received to visit Grand Chapter Sessions in other Grand Jurisdictions, but regret that I could not accept same.

I had the honour and pleasure of visiting the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, arriving there with my Grand Marshal, Sister Stokes, a few hours before the brilliant informal opening on Tuesday evening, June 6th, 1933. Reservation had been made for us at the Fort Garry Hotel

where the Grand Session was held. Everything possible was done for our comfort and pleasure. Among those present from Alberta were Bro. E. A. W. Rutherford, Worthy Grand Patron and Sister E. Grace Scaife, Past Grand Matron.

Many new friendships were formed and we were again permitted to meet with the officers of General Grand Chapter.

Among the many courtesies received was that of honorary membership which I highly prize and share with this Grand Chapter.

My great regret was that I was unable to visit with the dear friends in Montana during my term of office.

Proceedings have been received from other Grand Jurisdictions through the office of the Grand Secretary, and I am anticipating much pleasure from reading them in my leisure hours.

SECRET WORK ISSUED

On September 13th, 1933, I received a letter from Joan of Arc Chapter No. 57, requesting a copy of the Secret Work as a Past Patron who had been promoting, had inadvertently destroyed it when clearing out his desk. After due consideration I notified Bro. Blair, under date of Sept. 17th, to issue another copy.

Under date of February 14th, 1934, I instructed the Grand Secretary to request Rosalon Chapter, Taber, to forward their copy of the Secret Work and the diagram of the Labyrinth, which were very torn, and in return to send them two copies of the Secret Work, as they assured me they had not received a second copy; also to send new Diagram of Labyrinth.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

It has been a pleasure and a happy privilege to recommend the following Sisters of Alberta as Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions, and I thank the Worthy Grand Matrons for their courtesy in accepting same:

Pennsylvania	-----Mrs. Ethelwyn Padgett, Bellecrest, Hillcrest
British Columbia	-----Mrs. Alice Fell, Athabasca
Connecticut	-----Mrs. Muriel Towne, Magadalene, Mannville
Delaware	-----Mrs. Mary B. Lally, Connaught, Wainwright
Florida	-----Mrs. Lucy Hobson, Bessborough, Coronation.
Georgia	-----Mrs. Winona French, Victory, Wetaskiwin
Illinois	-----Mrs. Madge M. Adams, Unity, Calgary.
Indiana	-----Mrs. Bernice Law, Ionic, Tofield.
Kansas	-----Mrs. Ida L. McRae, Adah, Monitor.
Kentucky	-----Mrs. Kate Turner, Vimy, Blairmore.
Lousiana	-----Miss Margaret A. Kirby, Bethany, Rocky Mtn. House
Maryland	-----Mrs. Emily S. Kynnersley, Sask. Valley, Edmonton
Michigan	-----Mrs. Eliz. S. McKee, Excelsior, Jasper.

Mississippi	-----	Mrs. Margaret Layng, Douglas Haig, Edson
Missouri	-----	Mrs. Ann B. LaFleche, Amity, Edmonton
Montana	-----	Mrs. Margaret L. Newton, Aurora, Grande Prairie
Nebraska	-----	Mrs. Augusta Bachor, Battle River, Ponoka
Nevada	-----	Mrs. Amelia Gair, Killam
New Hampshire	-----	Mrs. Elsie M. Butt, Sedgewick
New Mexico	-----	Mrs. Agnes Malmberg, Occidental, High River
Ohio	-----	Mrs. Helena Omond, Temple, Camrose
Ontario	-----	Mrs. Martha Walker Laurel, Lethbridge
Porto Rico	-----	Mrs. Lilian W. Rippon, Minerva, Coleman
Scotland	-----	Mrs. Ida B. Cameron, Wimodausis, Bowden
South Dakota	-----	Mrs. Barbara Sample, Areme, Edmonton
Tennessee	-----	Mrs. Allien L. McKay, Edith Cavell, Calgary
Vermont	-----	Mrs. Jennie Birkett, Spray Valley, Banff
Washington	-----	Mrs. Blanche Laidlaw, Castleview, Pincher Creek.
Wyoming	-----	Mrs. Mattie E. Higdon, Orion, Manyberries
Quebec	-----	Mrs. Lena K. Schaefer, Innisfail
Manitoba	-----	Mrs. Florence Green, Wistoria, Stettler

The following were recommended by their respective Worthy Grand Matrons and have been appointed Grand Representatives of Alberta, near the named Grand Jurisdictions:

California	-----	Mrs. Sadie Lumry, San Francisco
Colorado	-----	Mrs. Lola McGee, Springfield
Delaware	-----	Mrs. Blanche L. Melson, Delmar
Florida	-----	Mrs. Annie Sanford, Tampa
Georgia	-----	Mrs. Alice McKelvey, Lawrenceville
Illinois	-----	Mrs. Barbara Meltzer, Chicago
Indiana	-----	Mrs. Marjorie Floyd, South Bend
Iowa	-----	Mrs. Carrie Pound, Des Moines
Kansas	-----	Mrs. Louise Hendricks, Axell
Michigan	-----	Mrs. Mary E. L. Merchant, Jonesville
Mississippi	-----	Miss Mariam Engman, Bay, St. Louis
Nevada	-----	Mrs. Irma Morrall, Winnemucca
New Jersey	-----	Mrs. Florrie Jellman, Woodbridge
North Dakota	-----	Mrs. Maude M. Adams, Fargo
Ohio	-----	Mrs. Dora Timms, McArthur
Porto Rico	-----	Mrs. Coloma P. Casablanca, San German
Tennessee	-----	Mrs. Mary Chaffe, Bolton
Texas	-----	Mrs. Gayle Reaneau, Houston
Virginia	-----	Mrs. Christina P. Forrest, Cape Charles
Scotland	-----	Miss Isabella M. Cook, Barrhead
West Virginia	-----	Mrs. Mildred P. Chapman, Ceredo

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS

The opportunity to visit the Subordinate Chapters is by far the greatest pleasure given to the Grand Matron during her term of office.

The great fraternal work of our Order was unfolded to me as I visited the Chapters through the Province, giving me the opportunity of knowing more about Alberta and her splendid people.

For many years to come I will picture the impressive floral ceremonies, the sumptuous dinners, quiet house parties, beautiful gifts and wonderful flowers. I shall live over again the happy hours spent with you, both in your homes and in your Chapter rooms. It was a joy to see how generously and unselfishly the various Chapters were meeting the existing circumstances, sharing burdens and trying to lighten the load of others, giving sympathy in sorrow and aid in misfortune.

One great pleasure was having my dear husband accompany me on twenty-five of these visits, over good roads and bad, but making it so much easier for me to reach my destination than if I had to rely upon the train service.

On numerous occasions I have been accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers, and every courtesy has been accorded us.

I have officially visited every Chapter in the Province, seventy-eight in number, some it has been my pleasure to visit more than once, and each time has brought me greater joy. The following is a list of Official visits made:

1933.

September:

- 4—Aurora Chapter, No. 46, Grande Prairie.
- 7—Saskatchewan Valley Chapter, No. 76, Edmonton.
- 8—Douglas Haig Chapter, No. 73, Edson.
- 11—Excelsior Chapter, No. 60, Jasper.
- 12—Arema Chapter, No. 11, Edmonton.
- 13—Athabasca Chapter, No. 17, Athabasca.
- 14—Barrhead Chapter, No. 67, Barrhead.
- 15—Jubilee Chapter, No. 67, Edmonton.
- 18—Electa Chapter, No. 10, Alix.
- 20—Trinity Chapter, No. 30, Bashaw.
- 21—Victoria Chapter, No. 14, Stettler.
- 22—Castor Chapter, No. 89, Castor.
- 25—Bessborough Chapter, No. 84, Coronation.
- 26—Adah Chapter, U.D. Monitor (Constitution).
- 27—Adah Chapter, No. 88, Monitor.
- 28—Somme Chapter, No. 35, Oyen.
- 29—Morning Light Chapter, No. 44, Hanna.

October:

- 2—Acadia Chapter, No. 61, Craigmyle.
- 3—Ruth Chapter, No. 55, Drumheller.
- 4—Evangeline Chapter, No. 87, Irricana.
- 5—Acme Chapter, No. 83, Acme.
- 6—Fidelity Chapter, No. 40, Three Hills.
- 9—Allenby Chapter, No. 38, Edmonton.
- 10—Ionic Chapter, No. 72, Tofield.
- 11—Temple Chapter, No. 49, Camrose.

October :

- 12—Norwood Chapter, No. 24, Edmonton.
- 13—Victory Chapter, No. 32, Wetaskiwin.
- 16—Sunrise Chapter, No. 78, Irma.
- 17—Connaught Chapter, No. 8, Wainwright.
- 18—Queen Esther Chapter, No. 22, Vermilion.
- 19—Magdalene Chapter, No. 79, Manville.
- 20—Joan of Arc Chapter, No. 57, Vegreville.
- 23—Killam Chapter, No. 9, Killam.
- 24—Forestburg Chapter, No. 54, Forestburg.
- 25—Sedgewick Chapter, No. 45, Sedgewick.
- 26—Hardisty Chapter, No. 33, Hardisty.
- 27—Isis Chapter, No. 28, Provost.
- 30—Amity Chapter, No. 66, Edmonton.

November :

- 1—Edmonton Chapter, No. 19, Edmonton.
- 2—Alexandra Chapter, No. 4, Lacombe.
- 3—Battle River Chapter, No. 47, Ponoka.
- 6—Bethany Chapter, No. 68, Rocky Mountain House.
- 7—Innisfail Chapter, No. 37, Innisfail.
- 8—Wimodausis Chapter, No. 70, Bowden.
- 9—Mizpah Chapter, No. 6, Calgary.
- 10—Mount Aylmer Chapter, No. 63, Banff.
- 13—Spray Valley Chapter, No. 64, Banff.
- 14—Zenith Chapter, No. 85, Cochrane.
- 15—Bethel Chapter, No. 39, Calgary.
- 17—Murray Chapter, No. 58, Medicine Hat.
- 20—Alberta Star Chapter, No. 18, Gleichen.
- 21—Edith Cavell Chapter, No. 25, Calgary.
- 23—Rockyford Chapter, No. 86, Rockyford.
- 24—Standard Chapter, No. 76, Standard.
- 27—Carstairs Chapter, No. 62, Carstairs.
- 28—St. Hilda Chapter, No. 27, Didsbury.
- 29—Mountain View Chapter, No. 1, Olds.

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February :

- 6—Rosalon Chapter, No. 69, Taber.
- 7—Champion Chapter, No. 36, Champion.
- 8—Heather Chapter, No. 51, Carmangay.
- 9—Ferrodale Chapter, No. 65, Vulcan.
- 12—Iris Chapter, No. 77, Milk River.
- 13—Maple Leaf Chapter, No. 7, Lethbridge.
- 15—Orion Chapter, No. 81, Manyberries.
- 21—Vimy Chapter, No. 52, Blairmore.
- 22—Minerva Chapter, No. 41, Coleman.
- 23—Bellecrest Chapter, No. 74, Hillcrest.
- 26—Castleview Chapter, No. 21, Pincher Creek.
- 27—Perfection Chapter, No. 31, Granum.
- 28—Fort Macleod Chapter, No. 53, Macleod.

March:

- 2—Laurel Chapter, No. 43, Lethbridge.
- 5—North Star Chapter, No. 34, Calgary.
- 6—Occidental Chapter, No. 12, High River.
- 7—Evening Star Chapter, No. 48, Okotoks.
- 8—Unity Chapter, No. 26, Calgary.
- 13—Bow Valley Chapter, No. 5, Calgary.
- 14—Acacia Chapter, No. 56, Calgary.
- 15—Harmony Chapter, No. 50, Mirror.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

Twenty-one Chapters asked for Schools of Instruction before their meeting, and others preferred to have theirs at the meeting, so that all might benefit. It was a joy to meet with these requests. Such eagerness to understand and perform their duties more efficiently. I have enjoyed working with and for you, demonstrating the work and answering the many questions regarding the work of the Order. The splendid manner in which you have co-operated and received the corrections and suggestions will be one of the brightst spots in memories page.

DISPENSATIONS
TO CHANGE HOUR OF REGULAR MEETING

1933.

- June 1—Champion Chapter, No. 36—Date conflicting with Grand Chapter Session.
- June 1—Innisfail Chapter, No. 37—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- June 1—Amity Chapter, No. 66—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- June 1—Jubilee Chapter, No. 67—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- June 1—Rosebud Chapter, No. 71—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- June 1—Saskatchewan Valley Chapter, No. 75—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- June 1—Orion Chapter, No. 81—Date conflicting with G.C. Session.
- Aug. 24—Bessborough Chapter, No. 84—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 24—Excelsior Chapter, No. 60—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 28—Aurora Chapter, No. 46—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 25—Jubilee Chapter, No. 67—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 30—Bessborough Chapter, No. 84—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 31—Victoria Chapter, No. 14—Official visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 31—Barrhead Chapter, No. 82—Official visit of W.G.M.
- Aug. 31—Douglas Haig Chapter, No. 73—Official visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 7—Acme Chapter, No. 83—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 7—Ionic Chapter, No. 72—Official visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 7—Saskatchewan Valley Chapter, No. 75—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 17—Fidelity Chapter, No. 40—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 17—Connaught Chapter, No. 8—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 17—Ruth Chapter, No. 55—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 17—Innisfail Chapter, No. 37—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 28—Acadian Chapter, No. 61—Official Visit of W.G.M.

- Oct. 4—Evangeline Chapter, No. 87—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 7—Bethany Chapter, No. 68—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 9—Temple Chapter, No. 49—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 9—Magdalene Chapter, No. 79—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Alexandra Chapter, No. 4—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—St. Hildas Chapter, No. 27—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Queen Esther Chapter, No. 22—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Killam Chapter, No. 9—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Wimoudausis Chapter, No. 70—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Hardisty Chapter, No. 33—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Battle River Chapter, No. 47—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 14—Isis Chapter, No. 28—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 21—Amity Chapter, No. 66—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 21—Spray Valley Chapter, No. 64—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Oct. 31—Murray Chapter, No. 58—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Nov. 4—Rockyford Chapter, No. 86—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Nov. 10—Alberta Star Chapter, No. 18—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Nov. 15—Mountain View Chapter, No. 1—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Dec. 4—Excelsior Chapter, No. 60—Meeting conflicted with Masonic Lodge meeting.
 Dec. 4—Sunrise Chapter, No. 78—Regular date on Christmas evening.
 Dec. 18—Sedgwick Chapter, No. 45—Regular date on New Year's day.
 Dec. 26—Vimy Chapter, No. 52—Unfavourable weather conditions.
 Dec. 26—Adah Chapter, No. 88—Regular date on New Year's day.
 Dec. 26—Harmony Chapter, No. 50—Regular date on New Year's day.
 Dec. 29—Laurel Chapter, No. 43—Regular date being on holiday.

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- Jan. 2—Perfection Chapter, No. 31—Hold December meeting in January, account of quorum not being present.
 Jan. 15—Murray Chapter, No. 58—Regular date on New Year's day.
 Jan. 24—Ferrodale Chapter, No. 65—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Jan. 31—Champion Chapter, No. 36—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Jan. 31—Heather Chapter, No. 51—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 3—Occidental Chapter, No. 12—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 5—Vimy Chapter, No. 52—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 8—Bellecrest Chapter, No. 74—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 12—Amity Chapter, No. 66—Masonic Temple Co. require room.
 Feb. 14—Evening Star Chapter, No. 48—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 15—North Star Chapter, No. 34—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Feb. 25—Laurel Chapter, No. 43—Official visit of W.G.M.
 Mar. 10—Rockyford Chapter, No. 86—Other attractions on regular date.

TO CHANGE HOUR OF REGULAR MEETING

1933.

- Sept. 7—Saskatchewan Valley Chapter, No. 75—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Sept. 16—Norwood Chapter, No. 24—Official Visit of W.G.M.
 Dec. 18—Unity Chapter, No. 26—Amount of business and installation of officers.

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- Jan. 2—Forestburg Chapter, No. 54—To hold meetings January and February during the afternoon for the convenience of country members and bad roads.
- Jan. 1—Bow Valley Chapter, No. 5—Installation of officers and regular business.
- Jan. 15—Murray Chapter, No. 58—Installation of officers and regular business.
- Feb. 15—North Star Chapter, No. 34—Official visit of W.G.M.

TO BALLOT AND INITIATE CANDIDATE AT THE SAME MEETING

1933.

- Sept. 7—Acme Chapter, No. 83—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 25—Bessborough Chapter, No. 84—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Sept. 28—Evangeline Chapter, No. 87—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Oct. 21—Alexandra Chapter, No. 4—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Nov. 25—Douglas Haig Chapter, No. 73—Petitioner leaving for New York.

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- Jan. 24—Ferrodale Chapter, No. 63—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Feb. 15—North Star Chapter, No. 34—Official Visit of W.G.M.
- Feb. 24—Acme Chapter, No. 83—Birthday Party.

TO CHANGE PLACE OF REGULAR MEETING

- June 10, 1933—Acme Chapter, No. 83—To entertain large attendance of visitors in Acme Hardware Hall.

TO RECEIVE PETITION FROM NON-RESIDENTS

- April 20, 1934—Iris Chapter, No. 77—Waiver granted by Chapters having concurrent jurisdiction.

TO HOLD MEETINGS UNTIL CONSTITUTED

- June 3, 1933—Adah Chapter, No. 88.

TO ELECT AND INSTALL OFFICERS OUT OF SEASON

1933.

- Dec. 26—Evening Star Chapter, No. 48—to Elect Conductress.
- Dec. 27—Acacia Chapter, No. 56—Elect Associate Patron.

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- Jan. 4—Perfection Chapter, No. 31—No quorum at December meeting.
- April 7—Fidelity Chapter, No. 40—Elect and install Associate Matron, Associate Patron and any other officers whose station becomes vacant through such election. Associate Matron and Associate Patron leaving jurisdiction.

April 26—Perfection Chapter, No. 31—Elect Associate Conductress at a special meeting—official visit of W.G.M. and large number of members present.

TO CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS

June 13, 1933—Fort Macleod Chapter, No. 53—To discuss and arrange for suitable place to hold future meetings.

VOUCHERS SIGNED

I have signed all vouchers issued by our Grand Secretary beginning with No. 890 to and including.

BY-LAWS APPROVED

By-laws have been approved for the following:—
Adah Chapter, No. 88, Monitor.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

I have been pleased to approve the following amendments:—

June 6, 1933—Areme Chapter, No. 11—To change portion regarding Life Membership.

Sept. 14, 1933—Murray Chapter, No. 59 — To add Associate Patron to Board of General Purposes.

Oct. 10, 1933—Iris Chapter, No. 77 — To dispense with July and August meetings, same to be embodied in By-laws.

Nov. 21, 1933—Jubilee Chapter, No. 67—To delete heading of "Charity" and insert "Funds" adding General and Benevolent Funds.

Nov. 27, 1933—Magdalene Chapter, No. 79—To change amount of annual dues.

Jan. 18, 1934—Magdalene Chapter, No. 79—Delete that portion regarding Life Membership.

Feb. 15, 1934—Electa Chapter, No. 10—Delete that portion regarding Life Membership.

Mar. 28, 1934—Amity Chapter, No. 66—To change night of regular meeting.

April 7, 1934—Rockyford Chapter, No. 86—Delete that portion regarding Life membership.

April 19, 1934—Fidelity Chapter, No. 40—Delete that portion regarding Life Membership.

CORRESPONDENCE

This is one part of the work that is never done, for the desk is just cleared when the next mail brings other letters to be answered. In every case I have tried to give the needed advice and assistance, and to help straighten out your problems. This has given me a wonderful opportunity to keep closely in touch with the work of each Chapter and to

understand the many perplexities which confront our members. I shall miss the daily messages, some with loads of trouble, others filled with words of good cheer and love. I have on file all correspondence received and sent out during the year.

The following are copies of official letters which were mailed to each Subordinate Chapter.

Edmonton, August 10, 1933

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and
Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Alberta:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

In this, my first official message, I extend fraternal greetings and wish to express my appreciation for the high honour conferred upon me, and pledge my very best service to every true member of the Order. I can assure you I need the full co-operation of each and every one.

Let us endeavour to accomplish the worthwhile, remembering there is not a word uttered, a thought expressed, or an act done in our Chapter that does not leave its impression for weal or woe. Let nothing but kindness be written into our records.

Stimulate regular attendance. I realize it is impossible for the Worthy Matron or Secretary to carry on lengthy correspondence with the out-of-town members, but so often a newspaper clipping telling of the activities of the Chapter or a short note included in notices for dues, will renew a member's interest. One suggestion I would make is that when a particularly interesting meeting is to be held, such as the Worthy Grand Matron's visit, write a short note to those who have not attended regularly, and make them feel you are interested in their welfare. If you have a birthday party, write them a jingle asking all to send in their pennies. I am sure your non-resident members and others will be more interested and it naturally follows all dues will be more promptly paid.

It is my earnest desire this year that special attention be given by the Matrons and Patrons to their own particular members, and toward building up the Chapters by increasing the attendance at the meetings. It is not the new members we desire so much as the faithful support of those who have evidently lost interest.

For the interest of our Order, I would make the following suggestions:

Begin your meetings promptly at the time specified in your by-laws. When the officers and members learn that this is going to be done, all will be in their proper places at the stated time, and this will stimulate interest.

During the year act as hostess to the officers and members of at least one neighbouring Chapter. Upon this occasion exemplify the degrees of the Order and promote that wonderful spirit of good fellowship which

has been observed in such meetings. Having difficulty in getting the officers together for practices, I would suggest that the initiation ceremony be exemplified at least four times during the year, even though there are no candidates.

Study more thoroughly the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the Order and perfect yourselves in the Ritual. Set some time aside for the purpose of studying these together. You will find this beneficial.

Frequently practice, in open Chapter, the form of examination of a visitor, that all members may become familiar with it and be prepared to visit elsewhere when opportunity offers. Ask all visiting members, who attend your meetings regularly, to show their receipt for dues at least once a year.

Worthy Matrons appoint one or more members to comprise a committee on Chapter history and have same read, giving the members the benefit and enjoyment of the experience of the pioneers in our work. This, I think, will stimulate attendance.

Secretaries please purchase a strong scribbler before the Worthy Grand Matron makes her official visit, so that corrections or suggestions may be noted therein. This would be approved by the Grand Matron before leaving, and could be referred to by the presiding officers during the balance of the year, and also by the incoming officers, perhaps being the means of making our work more uniform. The future Grand Officers could learn from this if the instructions given had been obeyed and were beneficial.

Kindly fasten this letter in above mentioned book, so that future reference may be made to it.

Please make it convenient for the Worthy Grand Matron to examine the books of the Chapter during the afternoon of the meeting, as there is a busy time just before the meeting opens.

No two officers work closer together than the Worthy Matron of a Chapter and the Secretary, and I would stress the absolute necessity of promptly informing the Worthy Matron in regard to all business affairs of the Chapter. If petitions are to be presented inform her, but not over the telephone. If it is impossible to reach her in any other way, send a note through the mail and inform her of the contents of the letters or enclose them with note, but do notify her immediately, especially if there should be an invitation to visit elsewhere or a special visitor is coming.

Many members think the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron is for entertainment. This is not so, it is a time of instruction, helpfulness and inspection, and I would suggest that the banquet given after the meeting be curtailed, as it is noted in many Chapters the banquet committee is composed of most of the officers, and it is impossible for them to do good Ritualistic work if they are on this committee. Those on

the committee, other than the officers, have rarely been able to enjoy an official visit and I would like to have every member enjoy the Grand Matron's visit and hear the message she brings, and can assure you that a plain cup of tea, entailing no work for the committee, will be much appreciated.

Schools of Instruction will be given if requested, but I am of the opinion that these instructions are just as necessary for the members on the side as for the officers, and would prefer throwing the meeting into a School of Instruction if same is necessary, then all members will benefit. In the country so many officers live out of town and find it a hardship to attend in the afternoon, rush home for supper and back again for the meetings, and by that time they have forgotten the instruction given. Starting the meeting one hour earlier and every member receiving instruction would be of greater benefit. Instruction is not for the officers of this year alone, but for others who may be elected or appointed in the future.

Should the visit of the Worthy Grand Matron not fall on your regular night, she would appreciate your changing the date to conform with her visit. Dispensation will be granted to hold regular meeting on that night, free of charge. Kindly address application for same to her.

Quite a few of the Chapter notices have the Conductress and Associate Conductress named before the Secretary and Treasurer. This is not in accordance with the order provided in the Ritual, page 158. Kindly have this corrected on your next notices. Some Chapters have nineteen (19) names listed under 1933 Officers, having I.P.M. head the list. There is no such officer and I would suggest that this be struck off the notices and not be printed in the future.

When exemplifying the ballot on a blank petition say:

Sis. and Bros.—You are about to ballot on a blank petition for the exemplification of the Worthy Grand Matron, white balls elect, etc.

Sis. and Bros.—The ballot being clear (or not clear) you have accepted (or rejected) this petition.

Dear Friends, I appreciate more than I can tell the honour conferred upon me and my home Chapter, Edmonton, No. 19, and with the faith to believe that we shall reap if we faint not, a firm belief in the principles of our Order, and a resolve to fill this station to the best of my knowledge and ability. I pray we may have a happy year together. Let us press onward with untiring efforts, bearing in mind the main issue of life, which is SERVICE.

Looking forward to meeting with you in your Chapter home, I am,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

S. EDITH DAWSON,
Worthy Grand Matron.

Letter No. 2.

Edmonton, Alberta, December 4th 1933.

To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of
All Subordinate Chapters, Order of the Eastern Star.

GREETINGS:

Christmas is a gem of beauty
Set in life's dull round;
Brightening still the path of duty
With its magic sound;
May its radiance and its music
Ever in our hearts be found.

As the year 1933 draws to its close, I wish to extend to you all the Season's Greetings with the prayer that "Our joy may be in service and our influence be for good."

We are passing through a period of hardships and unrest, with very few links having been added to our Golden Chain, but, after these days of difficulty and suffering, I sincerely hope our souls will be purged of all pettiness, jealousy and animosity, and that we, as Sisters and Brothers, may be drawn closer to each other and to God.

Let us start the New Year with hearts perfectly attuned to Him whose Star we know still shines bright in the East, determined to forget and forgive all that has happened in the past, and, before speaking or doing anything which might hurt others, let us stop and think of our obligation with its wonderful "I wills" and "I will not," then our beloved Order will shine with undiminished lustre.

In studying conditions throughout the Chapters, I note that in many cases a precedent has been established in progressing officers from a certain station to the North. Perhaps this is due to misunderstanding on the part of new members, but I would impress upon all members that at the end of each year, all appointed officers are once more in the same position as those members who have been occupying side seats during the year. It is the prerogative of each Worthy Matron elect to select such members as she wishes to serve with her in her official family. The fact that a member has served in an appointive office does not carry with it any preference either to be appointed or elected to any other position.

Submission to the will of the majority is one of the hardest lessons to learn, yet the will of the majority in all organizations since the beginning of time, has been, and is now, supreme law and should be willingly obeyed.

In balloting for officers or new members, let not personal spite or prejudice enter into our thoughts, but vote for the "Good of the Order and our Chapter" and keep in mind the Golden Rule by "doing unto others as you would they would do unto you."

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons please see that your Examining Committee ask for and see receipt for dues or demits of all visitors to the Chapters, especially those visitors who are regular in attendance but hold membership elsewhere. Officers be more careful in proving the Chapter, and Sentinels be strict in admitting late comers.

It is noted in some of the Chapters that opening ceremony is late because so many are waiting to sign the register. To overcome this I would suggest that the Chapter be opened on time and a recess called during the evening, and those who have not already done so, retire and sign the register. If registration is neglected it is the duty of the Sentinel to draw the attention of the Worthy Matron to this matter.

May the future hold much of good for all, and to the sorrowing and distressed may the Giver of all Good Gifts bring that "Peace which passeth all understanding."

Again wishing you the Season's Greetings and that God's richest blessing may rest upon your Chapter and every individual member, and success attend your every effort, is the loving wish of yours,

Sincerely and fraternally,

S. EDITH DAWSON,
Worthy Grand Matron.

LETTER No. 3

Edmonton, Alberta, April 28th, 1934.

Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters,
Order of the Eastern Star of Alberta.

Sisters and Brothers:

It seems but yesterday that I sent my first official letter to each Subordinate Chapter and now comes my farewell message as your Worthy Grand Matron.

As I review my year's work with you, deep appreciation fills my heart for your many acts of love and courtesy and your hearty co-operation in carrying on our work in spite of the discouragements which have confronted so many of the Subordinate Chapters this year.

In each Chapter I have endeavoured to instruct not only in the Ritualistic work of the Order, but to teach the law, and to leave a helpful message of the teachings of the Order and how they should be exemplified in our daily living.

In a few weeks the 22nd year of the Grand Chapter of Alberta will have passed into history, a year of rich experience for me, which has given me a broader conception of life.

It is my earnest desire that every Chapter in the Province be represented at Grand Chapter. Every Chapter has received a copy of the

proposed amendments, and it is the duty of the official delegates to study them and to vote intelligently upon them, and try to carry out the wishes of your Chapters. Every delegate has the privilege of speaking his or her views, and if you come prepared to take an active part, I feel sure that much of the weariness of the Session will be eliminated.

I shall do my utmost to see that the Sessions open at stated time, but without your co-operation this cannot be done, for late comers do retard the business.

It is not humanly possible for us all to agree on every question, but it should be possible for us, as Eastern Star members, to make our Grand Session one of peace and harmony. Let us leave no doubt in the mind of those who are not members of our beautiful Order, that our teachings have a deeper and truer significance than mere words.

May I impress upon you each and every one, NOT to discuss the business or talk in public places, such as hotel lobbies or on the streets, etc., regarding any O.E.S. matters, for we know not where these stray words fall and how much harm they do our Order. Come with the intention of discussing the business in the Grand Chapter meetings and not outside. Of course, it is understood, that only the first four officers of a Chapter, holding a vote, and the Past Matrons and Past Patrons, are entitled to speak or debate in Grand Chapter. This information I think is necessary for the newer members.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons with whom I have had the great pleasure of serving, I do sincerely hope you will be present, that I might meet with you again before vacating my office. Could we meet and have a luncheon or dinner together, and make it a yearly event, so that memories of our year together might be renewed. If this meets with your approval, kindly write me at once, and arrangements will be made to have our 1933-1934 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons meet with their Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

In this farewell message, I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for your loyalty, friendship, hospitality and many acts of kindness to me and mine. May God's richest blessing rest upon each and every one of you, and now

"May we make this Session
The happiest and the best,
May all the good accomplished
Stand out from all the rest.
May the teachings of our Order
Be felt throughout the land
And all our acts be guided
By God's unfailing hand."

Lovingly and fraternally yours,

S. EDITH DAWSON,
Worthy Grand Matron.

INSTALLATIONS

The installation of a new board of officers is surely an important event in the history of a Chapter, and is both beautiful and impressive. None of my work this year has been more inspiring than the performance of this important ceremony, imparting to the officers of a Chapter the duties of their respective stations, which should serve as a guide and inspire them to greater achievements through their year of service.

I appreciate the many invitations to perform this duty, and regret my inability to accept them all.

It was indeed an honour to install the officers of my home Chapter, with the assistance of Sister Mabel Bashor, Grand Esther, acting Grand Marshal, and Bro. Taylor, Grand Sentinel, acting Grand Chaplain.

I was happy indeed to install the following Chapter officers:

Dec. 20th, 1933—Edmonton Chapter, No. 19, Edmonton.

Jan. 17th, 1933—Douglas Haig Chapter, No. 73, Edson, assisted by Sister Isabella Stokes, Grand Marshal.

Jan. 29th, 1934—Murray Chapter, No. 58, Medicine Hat.

AUTHORITY TO RE-BALLOT

Murray Chapter, No. 58, asked permission to re-open the ballot on two petitions, account of the ballot box being defective. Two of the Sisters came many miles by train to show me the box and explained just what happened. The Worthy Grand Patron being present at the meeting, I conferred with him, and we decided that in the best interest of the Chapter permission should be given to re-ballot on these petitions. On December 4th, 1933, ballots were taken and found clear, the Chapter having used another box. Their own ballot box was overhauled before being returned to them. This special favour was granted because I felt it would ruin the Chapter if not allowed. Both of the candidates are very splendid members.

SALUTATION SIGN

Very few members seem to realize that our Salutation Sign has any significance, and give it in a very careless and irreverent manner.

This is part of our secret work and its purpose is to remind us of our Obligation to God and each other, and is a solemn pledge of loyalty and allegiance to every vow, and by it we openly acknowledge the presence of the Master in our midst. The presiding officer should see that members are instructed until they can give the salutation sign perfectly.

I should like to recommend that the fine print in the Ritual, top of Page 37, be often adhered to, then all signs would be more carefully made and understood.

HOME FUND

Having received a copy of the letter sent out by the Committee with regard to this Fund, I have had the pleasure of speaking on the matter in many of the Chapters, and find there is quite a little misunderstanding about same. Many object to the name and until it is changed will not work for it.

CHARTERS SURRENDERED

To see the Chapters surrendering their Charters is not what we like, but I do feel that the Order in this Province would be much stronger, if some of the weak Chapters having such a struggle to carry on, were to join with some Chapter near by. It is sad to see as many as five to seven chairs vacant, and it is impossible for a Worthy Grand Matron to make a good inspection of the work in such Chapters.

It will be noted in my list of Official Visits that Rosebud Chapter, No. 71, is not mentioned. In September they gave notice of motion to surrender the Charter owing to members leaving the district, and being unable to get a quorum present without driving miles to get someone. Naturally the members have felt it keenly, for they were good hard workers, but I admire their action under the prevailing circumstances, and as there are Chapters quite close to Rosebud, I hope they will soon be affiliated and become active members once more. After considering the information submitted to me, I did not think it necessary to appoint a special committee to report on same.

On October 2nd, when officially visiting Acadia Chapter, No. 61, Craigmyle, the members spoke to me about surrendering their Charter, not having twelve active members. (All the Star points were filled by officers from Morning Light Chapter, Hanna.) I suggested that they study the matter thoroughly before taking action. They then received application for two demits and felt so discouraged that, on December 14th, they voted to surrender their Charter. The reason being so clear, again I did not think it necessary to appoint a special committee.

Another Chapter called together their members to meet and confer with me regarding surrendering their Charter, but after a real study of ways and means, they can see their way clear to carrying on with the hope that times will soon be better.

I have received from Morning Light Chapter, Hanna, a request dated February 16th, stating they would be glad to have the members of Acadia Chapter, Craigmyle, amalgamate in a body with Morning Light Chapter. I requested the Grand Secretary to advise them that legislation regarding this would be taken up at this Grand Session.

Acadia Chapter had quite a large sum of money on hand, and were quite anxious that the dues of each member be brought up to date so that all could receive their demit. Not understanding the rules of the Order, they surrendered the Charter first and then paid the dues, giving receipts, knowing that the members have had a hard struggle these last

few years. To the three who had paid in advance, they refunded their dues. They thought it would be in order because Grand Chapter would receive the money just the same whether for dues or from the funds. I had to request that the receipts be cancelled and the money returned. After being interviewed, I promised that I would ask this Grand Chapter to grant the request of the members, if possible, and give them a clearance on the books, as they had worked and raised the money.

I recommend that some definite action be taken in this matter at this Grand Session.

All funds and paraphernalia have been forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

It has been my desire to answer all questions with justice and impartiality, in accordance with the Ritual and Laws. Questions too numerous to mention have been asked, but I am listing those which I think are the most important, and these are many:

(1) Q.—May we receive petition of a young lady who is not quite eighteen, but would be of age at the time of receiving degrees?

Q.—Is it in order to accept petition of a lady whose residence qualification is less than six months, but who would be here that time when receiving degrees?

A.—In both cases No. See Page 155 of Ritual under membership, also Page 30, Section 25, of the Constitution.

(2) Q.—What is the difference between Honorary and Life Membership?

A.—Honorary membership is conferred by a Chapter upon a member of another Chapter. No dues are required and no privileges are granted. Life Membership is granted to your own members. It means they are members of the Chapter as long as they live, but no further dues are required of them, although per capita tax is paid by the Chapter.

(3) Q.—We have many members owing several years dues, may we accept per capita tax for each year and put them in good standing instead of suspending them?

A.—This is a matter for the Chapter to decide. If a majority vote is cast, I see no reason why it should not be done.

(4) Q.—Has the Worthy Matron elect the authority to substitute for the Marshal at the installation of officers, without the consent of the Marshal when said officer is ready and anxious to fill her station?

A.—According to Page 22 of Ritual I should consider the Marshal has a right to fill her station. If she wishes to be relieved she could request same.

(5) Q.—Where By-laws call for dues in advance, do members asking for demit have to pay in full or just to time of demit?

A.—Until time of demit. We cannot ask members to pay for privileges they do not receive.

(This question has been asked many times.)

(6) Q.—Does the Associate Conductress make sign of Salutation when she approaches the Altar to remove the Ballot Box?

Does the Chaplain give the sign of Salutation when approaching or leaving the Altar?

A.—No to both questions.

(7) Q.—May the Conductress have the Secret Work, if not how is she to learn it?

A.—Secret work must be in the possession of one of the first four officers and kept under lock and key when not in use. Any officer or member may see and study the Secret Work in the presence of one of the first four officers.

(8) Q.—On a rising vote the Worthy Matron was standing and her vote counted, was this correct?

A.—No. The Worthy Matron votes only on written ballots. In case of a tie in vote by show of hands or standing, she gives the deciding vote.

(9) Q.—When asking another set of officers to exemplify the degrees, is it in order for them to open and close the Chapter?

A.—It is my opinion that the regular officers should open and close the Chapter, the visiting officers conferring the degrees.

(10) Q.—Is it permissible to give dances and card parties with the giving of prizes under the auspices of the Chapter and to sell tickets to non-members?

A.—I see no objection.

(11) Q.—May we use black material to drape the Altar?

A.—No stipulation being made, I see no reason why black cannot be used.

(12) Q.—When officer installed after regular installation, must obligation be given?

A.—Yes.

(13) Q.—Is the granddaughter of a Master Mason eligible to the Degrees of our Order?

A.—Not on her Grandfather's Masonic standing.

(14) Q.—Is the stepdaughter of a Master Mason eligible to receive the Degrees of our Order, even though she was a minor at the time of the marriage?

A.—No. Stepfather must legally adopt her. See Ritual, page 155.

(15) Q.—If the Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron is not able to be present may she or he appoint a Past Matron or Past Patron to fill position?

A.—No. It is the privilege and prerogative of the Associate Matron or Associate Patron to preside, but if unprepared, she or he may appoint a Past Matron or Past Patron.

(16) Q.—Member took out demit, now wishes to join us again, must she petition the Chapter, or can we make motion to receive her?

A.—She must petition for affiliation and be balloted on.

(17) Q.—If letter received after the stated meeting in December, asking for demit, can same be issued and name taken off our books and save paying per capita tax?

A.—No. Application must come before the Chapter before demit is granted. Per capita tax must be paid.

(18) Q.—At a special meeting called for installation of officers, may we open and close the Chapter in regular form?

A.—Ritual, page 85, states that a special meeting for this purpose shall be opened and closed with one blow of the gavel. Therefore I am of the opinion it is out of order to open and close in regular form.

(19) Q.—May we receive petition from Mrs. — whose mother married a man with two sons who are Masons? She is step-sister by marriage. Is she eligible on step-brother's standing?

A.—No. She is not their half-sister.

(20) Q.—Does the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron, Warden and Pianist, make sign of salutation before balloting?

A.—No. Sign is given only to Bible when balloting at the Altar.

(21) Q.—Is there a certain time in order of business to drape Altar or Charter?

A.—No special time is given. Generally done after the minutes are approved, but the Worthy Matron may call for it when she desires.

(22) Q.—Can names of candidates to be balloted on be put on monthly notices to members who seldom attend, so that they might know the business?

A.—No. See Constitution, Page 33, Par. 40.

(23) Q.—Can out of town members be asked for donations towards refreshments for dance, etc., like the town members are?

A.—Certainly. They become entitled to the privileges of the Order, and this is one.

(24) Q.—Is it permissible for a Past Matron to demonstrate the floor work in a private home to members who do not attend?

A.—Ritual states where floor work should be done. Do not advise any Past Matron doing this elsewhere.

(25) Q.—If a Past Patron dies and his body lies in state in a Theatre before shipment, can the Eastern Stars hold a ceremony there at the request of the Masons? Can a procession be formed?

A.—See Page 139 of Ritual, Funeral Ceremony.

(26) Q.—Have Charter members precedence over other members for office?

A.—No. Every member is equal and entitled to all the privileges of the Order.

(27) Q.—Can the Sentinel make motions and debate on questions?

A.—His station is outside the closed door, therefore he must ask to be relieved from his station before making motions, etc.

(28) Q.—Should lid of ballot box be left open after Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron have balloted?

A. Yes. Until declared closed by the Worthy Matron.

(29) Q.—Is it necessary to ask the relatives of petitioners to retire from the room while committee is being appointed and also while ballot being taken?

A.—No. They have every right to remain in the room if they wish. You cannot debar a member from voting.

(30) Q.—If demit is requested for a man and wife, is the signature of one enough or should both sign?

A.—Both must sign.

(31) Q.—May we accept a petition from a Catholic?

A.—Nothing in the Ritual or Constitution refers to this.

(32) Q.—May we have the Masonic Emblem with Star on for the Past Matron's Jewel?

A.—Page 11 of the Ritual says "five-pointed Emblematic Star with gavel in the centre," Page 12 gives a cut of the jewel. This I should think would apply to Past Matron's jewel also. I do not see that we have the right to wear the Masonic Emblem with our Star.

(33) Q.—Is it necessary to introduce Grand Officers and give Grand Honours every meeting? Members are getting so tired of it so often.

A.—Past and Present Grand Officers should be introduced at the first meeting they visit after the officers are installed and at the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron. The officers themselves are tired of it. It is not necessary to mention the presiding Matrons and Patrons every evening either, all may be classed as "Visitors," and so help the meeting to be brisk.

(34) Q.—When notices state day and time of regular meeting, is it necessary to send out notices every month? We feel this would save us such a lot of money.

A.—This I am leaving to the Jurisprudence Committee to answer.

(35) Q.—Could the immediate Past Matron sit next to the Worthy Matron in the East? We feel she would be of more help to the presiding officer than some of the older Past Matrons.

A.—It is customary to have those sitting in the East according to seniority, but it is the privilege of the presiding officer to ask whom she likes to sit in the East.

(This is another question I would like settled at this Grand Session.)

(36) Q.—Is it permissible to use two ballot boxes at the same time?

A.—Can see nothing in the Ritual allowing this. Should like the Grand Chapter to settle this question definitely.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Acting upon instructions given by the Most Worthy Grand Matron, I ruled that the Worthy Matrons should be escorted to the East, outside the line of officers.

Also that the report on Petition for Affiliation given in the East and West, be the same as that for initiation, as this was printed in our Rituals in error.

I have letter confirming these instructions, from Sister Schanbacher.

IRREGULARITIES

Officers using old Rituals without corrections having been made.

Collection from Electa's cup or flower fund being taken after the meeting, or handed to some member and not recorded. Suggested that this fund be handed to the Secretary and handled as other funds and entered in Account Book under "Other Sources."

By-laws not written out and candidates signing empty book.

Chapter adding members to take part in opening march and forming hollow square with more than the fourteen officers called for in the Ritual, Page 16.

Singing introduced contrary to Ritual during initiation, after the candidates are in proper position.

Conductresses escorting each individual officer to their station.

Letters sent by Secretaries without the seal of the Chapter.

Old Constitutions being handed to new Candidates.

Trustees elected on motion and not by ballot as called for in By-laws. In each case instructed election be taken in proper form.

Chapters electing Trustees when By-laws call for General Purpose Committee.

Notices showing Conductress and Associate Conductress before the Secretary and Treasurer, also listing I.P.M. as an officer.

Have written each Chapter about this and requested them to have this omitted in future.

Minutes signed in pencil.

Minutes not signed by Worthy Matron pro tem, leaving it for the Worthy Matron.

Books of Secretary and Treasurer not audited. Some Chapters not having auditor's report.

Trustees not making annual report on regalia etc. of Chapter.

Chapters not carrying insurance on expensive regalia.

Secretaries not reading out names of delinquent members and Chapters allowing them to owe four, five and some six years dues, although By-laws set a time limit.

Chapters requesting Special Dispensations from the Grand Secretary. Constitution, Page 10, gives this right to the Worthy Grand Matron. On Page 13, Art. 10, Sec. 3, it also states that the fee of one dollar shall accompany the request and same shall be turned over to the Grand Secretary. Only three Chapters complied with this ruling and they were the newer ones.

Chapters using New Testaments instead of Bibles.

Conductress presenting flag alone, and not according to Constitution.

Worthy Patrons repeating No. 18 of the Secret Work after the Conductress.

Worthy Patron referring to No. 17 in his lecture, although fine print in Ritual bottom of Page 74, says to omit it.

Worthy Patron having secret work copied out.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That some form of Certificate of Good Standing be printed for the use of Subordinate Chapters.

That Special Dispensations be printed in stub form in books of 100 making it easier for the Worthy Grand Matron to carry them with her.

That Subordinate Chapters include with their Annual Report to the Grand Secretary, a list of charitable work being done by their individual Chapters and members.

That during prayer and opening of Bible, every member stand in a reverent attitude with hands loosely clasped, one inside the other, making a distinction between our Salutation Sign.

That Chapters exemplify the Degree work at least four times a year, even though they have no candidates, and begin quite early in the year. Also that a report of same be shown the Worthy Grand Matron when making her official visit.

That a penalty be imposed upon the person or Chapter responsible, in case of Secret Work or diagram of labyrinth being lost or destroyed, and that no other copy be issued until said fine has been received by the Grand Secretary.

DECISIONS

Chapter asked for dispensation to ballot and initiate at same meeting on two petitions presented at a Special Meeting and committee appointed then.

I declared this business null and void in accordance with Ritual, Page 158, and Constitution, Page 28, Sec. 17, and ordered the petitions presented at the next regular meeting and dealt with in the correct manner. May say this was done at my official visit.

Chapter called Special Meeting during the afternoon, to vote on making presentation of money to Sister who had pro temmed Grand Office.

Declared this action null and void and advised the Secretary to have this matter taken up at next regular meeting.

Chapter had petitioner waiting in anti-room, ballot taken twice and found not clear. Request made to Worthy Matron to re-ballot or the Chapter would be disrupted. She granted request and ballot was clear and candidate initiated the same night.

I severely reprimanded the Chapter and have the assurance that this will not occur again.

Champion Chapter, No. 36, asked if they could confer Life Membership upon a Charter member who has been a faithful and good member, and is now too ill to attend Chapter but it means so much to her to belong.

After studying this question, I ruled that this could be done by majority vote of the Chapter. The By-laws state that after paying 21 years consecutive dues they SHALL (meaning automatically) become Life Members, but it does not say the Chapter cannot bestow this upon a member if they wish to before that date.

Owing to Brother Collins, P.P., causing a great deal of unpleasantness in the Chapter, threatening the members, I called a Special Meeting of the Chapter hoping matters could be straightened out, but found it impossible. I am glad to say this has been the only contention throughout my year.

THE BLACK BALL

It is true that little misunderstandings and slight discord have come to me, but it can be traced directly to over-ambition for office and unruly tongue, or misuse of the blackball.

Once more let me emphasize personal responsibility of the reputation of your Chapter in your community, the strength of it depends upon you, by your regular attendance and strict watch that no Chapter affairs are discussed over the telephone or in public places.

What a serious and sacred privilege is ours to influence by our ballot the growth, the character, the strength, the very life of our Chapter. The burden is upon us, not collectively, but individually, to cast our ballot as our conscience dictates, keeping in mind that the "All Seeing Eye" knows and judges whether we are false or faithful to our trust.

INTERNATIONAL EASTERN STAR TEMPLE

Two circular letters were forwarded to me by the Grand Secretary, regarding the International Eastern Star Temple, and I have spoken to many in connection with this, but owing to the conditions throughout the country, have not solicited the Chapters. Many of the individuals would like to contribute but it is impossible at this time, but I still hope that Alberta will bring their quota up when times are better.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

When making my official visit to Mountain View Chapter, No. 1, at Olds, I had the pleasure of installing Sister Mabel C. Hartman, as Associate Grand Matron, with Bro. E. A. W. Rutherford acting Grand Marshal. I was happy to perform this duty and pray for our Sister continued health and strength.

SPECIAL EVENTS

I regret that space will not permit my mentioning all the splendid entertainments given in my behalf, but I can assure you that none of them will ever be forgotten. I thank you sincerely dear friends for all the happy times and for the offer of others. I feel I must enumerate some.

On August 29th the officers of my own dear Chapter, Edmonton, No. 19, paid a surprise visit at my home, and on behalf of the Chapter and the officers, the Worthy Matron, Sister Taylor, presented me with a beautiful travelling case. This was indeed a wonderful surprise. A very happy evening was spent together and their good wishes and prayers were very dear to me as I journeyed away from home. Needless to say my case has been in constant use. It was gratifying to note the joy they experienced in having this honour brought to Edmonton Charter.

On July 4th the presiding Matrons of the seven Chapters made arrangements for a tea to be held at the home of my friend, Sister Meters, in order that the members might have an opportunity of meeting the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Schanbacher, who was at the time a guest in my home, also to welcome their own Worthy Matron. I certainly appreciated this gesture, not only to our supreme head but also to myself.

November 8th, I visited Wimodausis Chapter, No. 70, Bowden, and after the meeting I received a great surprise, for they brought out a three tier wedding cake, beautifully decorated. It was my 19th wedding anniversary, and what a loving thought for them to do this when I was away from home. The top layer of the cake was sent to the dear ones at home. Words cannot express all that I would say. I also received cards from the Home Chapter and thank you all for your thoughtfulness.

April 26th, 1934, Edmonton Chapter again honoured me by having a reception for their own members and escorts. The evening's entertainment was planned by the Past Matrons of the Chapter and everything lovingly done for our entertainment. Cards were enjoyed in the Masonic Temple after which a most delightful banquet was served. The autograph album presented is highly prized.

On May 12th, the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of the seven Edmonton Chapters gave a delightful reception in my honour. I did enjoy meeting with so many I have worked with for the past years and appreciate the wonderful evening before vacating my office. Many thanks for the Crown Derby china. I also appreciated their asking the Worthy Grand Patron to join us, and pleased that he was able to attend.

While in Calgary a luncheon was given by the Past and Present Grand Officers, at which the presiding Matrons of the seven Calgary Chapters were present. I enjoyed meeting with you all.

The Past Matrons and Patrons of Edith Cavell Chapter gave a dinner in my honour, this also will long be remembered as will also the other banquet given by the Chapters.

APPRECIATION

I have received so many courtesies, so much consideration has been shown me, that my heart overflows with deep appreciation and sincere gratitude.

Worthy Grand Patron, I express sincere appreciation for your many kindnesses this year, getting me home late and early from Chapters miles away in the country. I have conferred with you regarding many things and thank you for your assistance. We have had a very harmonious year together.

To my Associate Matron and Associate Patron, I thank you for your co-operation, and especially grateful am I to Bro. Stuart and his good wife for their hospitality and the many car rides received.

Grand Secretary, I thank you for your kindness and help, also for open house at all times. I wish for you health, strength and every happiness.

Sister Stokes, Grand Marshal. It has given me much pleasure to have you my friend, as one of my Grand family, and hope our friendship of many years will continue.

Sister May I. Irvine and her good husband Stewart. How am I to express to you my sincere thanks for the splendid hospitality extended to me for so long? At any hour of the night or morning I was always welcome. I spoiled many a night's sleep, coming in at 4 a.m. and still you smiled and said I was welcome. God bless you both, may you be spared many years to work in our Order and may He return to you a hundred fold the kindness you have given.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, your advice and counsel have been invaluable and your presence at my official visits an inspiration. You have been faithful, constant and loyal.

Grand Officers—I thank you all for the many courtesies received, and may the friendly relationship of the past year live on through the years to come.

To the members of my Home Chapter, Edmonton, No. 19; Your loyalty through the years has brought much joy to me. You have showered me with every kindness, wonderful gifts, delightful receptions and beautiful flowers. I am happy to bring this honour home to you and assure you of my deep gratitude. I can never repay you, but in my heart I shall never forget you. My wish for you is, that each of you will receive as much sunshine and happiness as you have brought into my life this year.

Sister Jean Parker and Sister A. Lundy, of Lethbridge, many thanks for allowing me to come in at all hours and know a welcome awaited me.

And now to my dear husband and dear daughter Betty, who have made so many personal sacrifices so that my time could be given to my work, who sent me away with smiles and good cheer and were always glad to see me home again. To you who are nearer and dearer than all in the world beside, I make public acknowledgment of my debt of gratitude.

CONCLUSION

My service as your Worthy Grand Matron is about completed. My efforts have been earnest and sincere, always doing what seemed for the best interest of the Order. I have tried to be true and faithful to the promise made to you and if I have in a measure merited the confidence you placed in me, I feel amply repaid. The friendships made, the experience gained are mine and I know that my life will be broader and better for having served you.

My interest in our beautiful Order will ever continue, for I appreciate more than ever before its hidden truths and beauty.

To my successor I wish for you a very happy and successful year.

Faternally submitted,

S. EDITH DAWSON,
Worthy Grand Matron.

ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and
Members of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Another year in the history of the Order of the Eastern Star in Alberta has been written, and those whom you have chosen as your leaders for the year must now give an account of their stewardship, but before submittnig my report as your Grand Patron, I would like to add to the words of welcome already expressed the pleasure it gives me to welcome all of you to this the twenty-third annual session and to express the hope that to each of you it will be most pleasant and profitable.

One year ago you bestowed upon me the highest honor that can be given to a brother in this Grand Jurisdiction. Personally I may say that at the beginning of my term of office, I was not unmindful of the words of caution expressed by the Psalmist. "Remember how short they time is." There seemed, however, to be opening up a year of opportunity for service and it was my desire to serve my sisters and brothers to the best of my ability. In this, perhaps, I have failed. I know that I have not been able to visit with you in your chapter rooms nearly as much as I had hoped nor have I been able to do many of those things that I had planned to accomplish. However, I have done my best to serve you and hope that my efforts have not been too unsuccessful.

IN MEMORIAM

Once again the chain of our Past Grand Officers has been broken and we mourn the loss of our first Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Isabella Duff, but we realize in our sorrow that God in His Infinite Wisdom has but called our sister to the Grand Chapter on High.

Many other members of this Grand Chapter and of other Grand Jurisdictions have also passed on, while others have been bereaved by the loss of loved ones during the past year. With our Grand Matron I extend our sincerest sympathy to those bereased and to the relatives of these departed sisters and brothers.

My first official act was to grant permission to Adah Chapter to continue to hold meetings under their former dispensation until such time as the Worthy Grand Matron should have an opportunity to constitute this Chapter.

VISITATIONS

A few days after the close of our last Grand Session I left for Ontario and it was my privilege to stop over at Winnipeg long enough to attend the opening of the session of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba.

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Sister Dawson, our Grand Matron; Sister Stokes, our Grand Marshal; and Sister Scaife, our Immediate Past Grand Matron were also present at this Grand Chapter meeting. We were royally received and heartily welcomed. My only regret being that circumstance made it necessary for me to leave before their session was over. It was also my privilege to attend the meeting of the Grand Chapter of Ontario that same week. While I regret that my visit at both these Grand Sessions was so very short, to have attended three Grand Chapter meetings, over three thousand miles apart, in a week's time is, I believe, in itself somewhat of a record. This, of course, was only possible owing to the fact that we in Alberta had moved our meeting ahead a week, last year. In this connection I would like to suggest that Article IV, Section 1 of our Constitution should be changed to have the Annual Session of this Grand Chapter held on the last Wednesday in May instead of as at present on the first Wednesday in June. At present the meetings of the Grand Chapters of Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta are being held at the same time which is certainly a great detriment to our visiting with these Grand Chapters.

At the meeting of the Grand Chapter of Ontario I was accompanied by my Mother, a Past Matron of Owen Sound Chapter, and I would most gratefully acknowledge the courtesy which was extended to me by inviting her to a seat in their Grand East. It was most thoughtful of Sister Wallace, Grand Matron of Ontario, and was an act which I most sincerely appreciated. Mother's physical condition made it necessary for us to leave their meeting before adjournment and we left to the strains of "Till we Meet Again." My only hope is that at some future time I may have the privilege of meeting again with the members of both these Grand Chapters and also with the members of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota, many of whose members and officers I met while in Winnipeg.

I had also planned to attend the meeting of the Grand Chapter of Utah and of the Grand Chapter of California, but unforeseen circumstances at the last moment made it necessary for me to cancel this trip. I would have liked very much to have attended both these Grand Sessions.

Invitations were received to attend many other Grand Chapter sessions and nothing would have pleased me more than to have been able to have accepted all of them. Personally, I do not think that we visit with the other Grand Chapters enough.

It was my privilege to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron on seventeen of her official visits as follows:

Evangeline, No. 87, Irricana, on October 4th.
 Acme, No. 83, Acme, on October 5th.
 Fidelity, No. 40, Three Hills, on October 6th.
 Edmonton, No. 19, Edmonton, on November 1st.
 Alexandra, No. 4, Lacombe, on November 2nd.
 Battle River, No. 47, Ponoka, on November 3rd.
 Mizpah, No. 6, Calgary, on November 9th.
 Zenith, No. 85, Cochrane, on November 14th.

Alberta Star, No. 18, Gleichen, on November 20th.
 Edith Cavell, No. 25, Calgary, on November 21st.
 Standard, No. 76, Standard, on November 24th.
 Carstairs, No. 62, Carstairs, on November 27th.
 Saint Hilda's, No. 27, Didsbury, on November 28th.
 Mountain View, No. 1, Olds, on November 29th.
 Rockyford, No. 86, Rockyford, on November 30th.
 North Star, No. 34, Calgary, on March 5th.
 Unity, No. 26, Calgary, on March 8th.

As well as these visits with our Grand Matron I have been able to attend meetings of all the Calgary Chapters and at Carstairs, No. 62; Edmonton, No. 19, Saskatchewan Valley, No. 75, Laurel, No. 43, and Maple Leaf, No. 7, and to have attended a social evening of Allenby Chapter, No. 38, in Edmonton.

I also received many special invitations to be present at some particular meeting of many of the Chapters, but which unfortunately, I was unable to accept.

On May 12th I was also the guest of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Edmonton at a reception given for Sister Dawson when a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Some of the "high-lights" of these meetings might be noted. At the meeting of Fidelity Chapter at Three Hills on October 6th Sister Hartman was also a visitor. This was, I believe, her first Chapter meeting since before her illness. The meeting of Edmonton Chapter on November 1st was a particularly happy occasion as it was Sister Dawson's first appearance in her home Chapter since her election as Grand Matron. I was very pleased to have been able to have been present that evening for Sister Dawson's homecoming. At the meeting of Alexandra Chapter in Lacombe the following evening, Sister Dawson was the only "visitor" on the right of the Worthy Matron, while on her left were no less than five brothers. At Ponoka the following afternoon we were the guests at a delightful tea given by the sisters of Battle River Chapter and were later entertained for dinner at the home of one of the sisters of this Chapter. The meeting of Zenith Chapter at Cochrane was also a happy occasion. It being the second birthday of this Chapter and although a dense fog made driving from and returning to Calgary very difficult those of us who were fortunate enough to be present spent a very enjoyable evening. Before the meeting of Edith Cavell Chapter in Calgary we were the guests of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of that Chapter at a very delightful dinner. At this meeting too, Sister Blair, P.G.M., received a very unique present. At the meeting of Standard Chapter I rather wondered if I was at an Eastern Star meeting for outside of a few Sisters visiting from elsewhere those members sitting "on-the-side" were mostly brothers. I have never seen as fine a representation of brothers at a meeting of a Chapter as were present that evening in Standard. Before the meeting in Carstairs Chapter we were the guests of Sister and Brother Stuart for dinner. At the meeting of Saint Hilda's Chapter in Didsbury, again the east was

conspicuous by the absence of sisters and the predominance of brothers. At the meeting of Mountain View Chapter Sister Dawson installed Sister Hartman as Associate Grand Matron and asked me to assist her in the capacity of Grand Marshal. This was a very pleasant duty and we were all pleased to see Sister Hartman's condition improving so much. On Thursday, March 8th, Sister Dawson paid her official visit to Unity No. 26, and it was a particularly pleasant duty to assist in welcoming Sister Dawson to my home Chapter. These are just some of the little incidents which helped make my visits in your Chapters more pleasant. There were others too, which I have not mentioned, all of which prompts me to sincerely thank the sisters and brothers throughout the jurisdiction for the many courtesies and favors showered on Sister Dawson and myself whenever we were fortunate enough to visit in your Chapters.

INSTALLATIONS

It was my privilege to respond to the toast the Grand Chapter at the Installation Banquets of the following Chapters: Mizpah, No. 6; Edith Cavell, No. 25; North Star, No. 34 and Acacia, No. 56. I had also accepted invitations to respond to this toast at the installations of Bethel, No. 39 and Carstairs, No. 62, but, greatly to my regret, I had to cancel these appointments. I was also asked to respond to this toast at some of the other Chapters around Calgary but found it impossible to accept these kind invitations.

On Thursday, January 11th, I installed the officers of my own Chapter, Unity, No. 26. Sister Logie, Grand Conductress and Sister Tilly, Associate Grand Conductress graciously assisting me in the positions of Grand Conductress and Grand Chaplain respectively. I consider this one of the greatest honors paid me during my year as your Grand Patron and for this I would express my sincere thanks to Sister Schroeder, the Worthy Matron of Unity Chapter.

LIFE AND HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

The question of Life Memberships is one that has been given considerable attention during the past year. I have spoken of what I called "The Life Membership Menace," in practically every Chapter that I have visited and have advised the Chapters to delete the provisions for Life Membership after paying dues for twenty-one continuous years from their by-laws, as personally I consider this provision a "menace" to the life of many of our Chapters. However, this matter will be brought up later in the session and will no doubt be settled at that time.

The question of Honorary Memberships is also one which I believe must be defined. At present I find two kinds of "Honorary Memberships" being granted by Chapters. The first, that where a Chapter desires to do honor to some member, who is not a member of that Chapter, who has performed some especial service for that Chapter. The second class, and I find a number of these, where a Chapter has made one of its own members an "Honorary Member" and thus relieved that member of the

necessity of paying dues. My own opinion is that only the first class are "Honorary Members" but should the second class be given they should be curtailed to non-resident members only and should be revoked immediately that member returns to reside in the place where the Chapter meets. I would recommend that Grand Chapter specifically define "Honorary Membership" and state just what privileges it carries to those on which it has been conferred.

MERGING AND AMALGAMATING OF CHAPTERS

That question of some legislation for the merging and the amalgamating of Chapters will be introduced this session. This is a question which I feel should be given immediate attention. Some of our smaller Chapters are finding the load of continuing as Chapters increasing every day, and I feel that legislation must be introduced to make it possible for these smaller Chapters to merge with another Chapter and thus have their members remain active members of the Order. So frequently when a Chapter surrenders its charter its members do not affiliate elsewhere and therefore become a loss in membership to this Grand Chapter. I believe the Jurisprudence Committee will have some recommendations to make in this matter and I ask your very serious consideration on this question.

CHAPTER INSTITUTED

While the organizing of new Chapters is the one of the Grand Patron's duties most emphasized, with the economic conditions as they are at present, I did not make any great effort to establish any new Chapters. In fact, I rather discouraged the formation of new Chapters unless I felt that there was every prospect of it being numerically and financially strong enough to carry on. I did, however, furnish applications for dispensation to Carbon, Red Deer and Foremost.

At the request of the Worthy Grand Matron I went to Red Deer in November and met a group of Sisters and Brothers, all at present members of the Order, but not members of former Venus Chapter, in the hope that I might organize a new Chapter there. Later I received a petition from these Sisters and Brothers, but, owing to certain circumstances which had arisen I refused to grant them a dispensation to form a new Chapter.

On Thursday, March 15th, I had the pleasure of instituting Foremost Chapter, U.D., at Foremost, Alberta. The following are the principle officers of this Chapter: Worthy Matron, Sister Harriet Hunt; Worthy Patron, Brother Thomas M. Westbrook; Associate Matron, Sister Marion Neil; Associate Patron, Brother Murdo Mackenzie. I was very ably assisted in the instituting ceremonies by Sister M. Walker, Worthy Matron of Laurel Chapter acting as Associate Grand Matron; Brother H. Carpenter, Worthy Patron of Laurel Chapter acting as Associate Grand Patron; Brother H. G. Stretton, P.G.P. acting as Grand Secretary; Sister H. Westbrook, P.M. of Laurel Chapter acting as Grand Marshal; Sister A. Lundy, P. M. of Laurel Chapter acting as Grand Chaplain and

other members of Laurel Chapter filling the stations of the other Grand Officers. I had been accompanied from Lethbridge by, or perhaps I should say, "I accompanied" twenty-five of the Sisters and Brothers of Laurel Chapter who had chartered a bus to make the eighty mile trip to Foremost for this occasion and who, despite the threatening condition of the weather, the danger of bad roads and the return home through a heavy snow storm, were "Jolly Good Fellows," and though the weather conditions did, perhaps, dampen our spirits somewhat it was a very enjoyable trip.

We were given a royal reception on our arrival at Foremost where the members of the new Chapter had prepared a very enjoyable dinner. After dinner I proceeded with the Instituting Ceremony and after which the officers of Laurel Chapter exemplified the ballot and conferred the degrees in a most excellent manner. I owe the members of Laurel Chapter my sincere appreciation for their efforts on that occasion.

As Foremost Chapter has worked almost their allotted time, under dispensation, I would recommend that their charter be granted at this session, if their records be found in order.

VENUS CHAPTER, No. 2

When in Red Deer in connection with the request to institute a new Chapter in that town, I took the trouble to "check-up" on the equipment, etc., that had belonged to the former Venus Chapter, No. 2. Assisted by Brother George Wiseman, P.G.P., who is now residing in Red Deer, the paraphernalia was gone over. It was found that this equipment had been very carelessly stored in a locker in the Masonic Hall and that several persons must have had keys to open this locker. A list of the equipment was made and is now on file with the Grand Secretary and I have asked Brother Wiseman to straighten-up and properly store this equipment. I also purchased a private lock for this locker, the keys of which I have left with Brother Wiseman.

The bank balance of this Chapter had never been transferred to Grand Chapter and I therefore requested the Grand Secretary to take immediate steps to have these funds turned over to Grand Chapter.

Venus Chapter also owned a piano, which, since the suspension of that Chapter, has been used by the Masons in Red Deer and I have suggested to the Grand Secretary that we endeavour to sell the Masons this piano.

I also discovered that Venus Chapter had purchased a Past Matron's Jewel for Sister Julia McClure, their last Worthy Matron, but that this jewel had never been presented to her. As it was apparently the wish of the membership of Venus Chapter that Sister McClure should have this jewel, I would recommend that it be forwarded to her.

Needless to say my visit to Red Deer stirred up many memories of Venus Chapter and I heard many expressions of opinions in connection

with the troubles that led up to the suspension of this Chapter. I cannot help but feel that had Grand Chapter taken a firmer stand with the trouble-makers in this Chapter, and had shown a little more sympathy and understanding to those members who were apparently trying to carry on the work of the Order and with some kindly advice to these Sisters and Brothers, Venus Chapter might still be numbered amongst our membership and would not be, as at present, a "black mark" on the record of this Grand Chapter.

HOME FUND

At some of the Chapters that I visited I spoke in connection with the Home Fund. Requesting the Chapters to give to this fund before they made donations to other organizations. At one of the younger Chapters I had been asked by their Worthy Matron to give them a talk on the Home Fund. To trace it from its origin to the present time. This I endeavoured to do, and, to the best of my ability, gave this Chapter a complete history of this Fund, its aims, objects, present form and possible future. Following my address one of our Past Grand Matrons was asked to speak. Her remarks were of so uncomplimentary a nature that I abandoned any further efforts in the interests of the Home Fund. From that time on I have left the Home Fund entirely out of my remarks, believing that if it was the wish of certain members of this Grand Chapter that the membership should not be enlightened on this subject I would have nothing more to do with the matter during my term as Grand Patron. However, I believe, the Home Fund has made a substantial increase this year a full report of which will be given by the Home Fund Committee.

GRAND CHAPTER EXPENSES

A few years ago a motion was passed in this Grand Chapter authorizing a per capita levy of ten cents per member for the entertainment at Grand Chapter session. Later this was thought to be extravagant and the motion was rescinded. At the same time the following recommendation of the Finance Committee was adopted. "We are of the opinion that the appropriation for Grand Chapter entertainment is excessive. We recommend that hall rent and the necessary expenses only of Grand Chapter be paid." As the representative of one of the Calgary Chapters I supported this recommendation at that time, believing, and as I believe many others did, that this recommendation intended that Grand Chapter would pay all the expenses in connection with the entertainment at Grand Chapter. I have since learned to my sorrow, both mentally and financially, that this was not the intention of the finance committee as they have since that time attempted to designate "necessary expenses" and have to my way of thinking drawn the line much too closely, with the result that certain Grand Officers and some Chapters have been required to personally finance accounts in connection with Grand Chapter entertainment. I do not think that it is in keeping with the dignity of this Order that the Grand Matron or any other Grand Officer should be placed in the position

of having to ask a Subordinate Chapter to do certain work in connection with the Grand Chapter Session and then have to tell them that they would be expected to meet any expenses that they incurred in doing this work. Yet this has been done. I do not feel that a Grand Officer should be asked to personally pay for extra services that have been required or for those little things, such as flowers for distinguished guests, that tend to change our session from being merely a drab business meeting to something colorful and beautiful. Yet this has been done. I sincerely believe that it was the intention of this Grand Chapter when they passed that recommendation that Grand Chapter would pay ALL expenses in connection with the entertainment at Grand Session, and I do not think that it was the intention of this Grand Body that any officer or Chapter should be required to personally pay for those things which have sometimes been called "frills," but which "frills," I feel are extremely necessary if our sessions are to be anything more than merely a drab, dry, business meeting. There is, in my opinion, a vast difference between extravagance and "cheapness." A few years ago we were perhaps, extravagant, but I am afraid that since that time we have swung too far in the opposite direction. I would therefore recommend that a much broader definition of "necessary expenses" be taken by the Finance Committee in connection with Grand Chapter entertainment. I believe that we must have the so called "frills" and I believe Grand Chapter should pay for them.

SOME QUESTIONS ASKED

A Grand Patron is, to the best of my knowledge, not supposed to answer questions officially, except in the case of Chapters under dispensation, but despite this I have been asked many questions regarding procedure, ritual and constitution during the year. Some of these questions are, I feel, rather important to the welfare of the organization and I am therefore listing them and would ask the Jurisprudence Committee to answer them.

When the second candidate is a "fill-in" candidate:

- (a) Should she be required to take the obligation?
- (b) Should the Conductress give her the grip?
- (c) Should a "fill-in" candidate be used at all?

Is there an officer in this Grand Chapter who might be termed the "Custodian of the Work?" If so, who?

Some Worthy Matrons continue to stand during the discussion of items before their Chapter. Is this necessary?

A brother takes his demit from his Masonic Lodge:

- (a) What is his standing in the O.E.S.?
 - (b) What action should his Chapter take?
- Later he affiliates with another Masonic Lodge.
- (c) What is now his standing in the O.E.S.?
 - (d) What action should his Chapter take now?

Supposing that instead of taking a demit this brother had been suspended for non-payment of dues by his Masonic Lodge. What would be the answers to (a) and (b)? Later he reinstated himself. What would be the answers to (c) and (d)?

A motion was introduced in a Chapter, passed and recorded in the minutes. At the next meeting these minutes were approved. Later it was found that this motion was out of order. What action should the Chapter take to rescind this motion and make their minutes correct?

A member of this Chapter is a Grand Officer. Must we "welcome" her as a "visitor" at every meeting which she attends? She appears to expect it, but our Matron and many of our members think this unnecessary.

To what Grand Officer should we refer any question on Ritual or Procedure?

Page 95 of the Ritual defines the duties of a Worthy Patron. Would you not therefore think that the duties of the Worthy Grand Patron were the same, only in all Chapters?

THE "OFFICE SEEKER"

In my letter sent out to the Chapters just before their elections I drew their attention to the selection of their officers. This is a matter to which, I believe, the Chapters should give far greater attention. We are told that "the selection of a new board of officers is an important event in the history of a Chapter," but I have repeatedly seen cases of an officer being chosen not by their ability to fill the position, but because they make a "good-fellow" of themselves. One case I know of brought candies to the officers practises and that sort of thing to make a favorable impression with the other officers, but when it came to performing the duties of her office she was sadly lacking. Yet, at the following election, this Chapter gave her an elective position. True "good-fellowship" is a much needed asset, but personally, I feel, that the ability to capably fill an office should be the first qualification in the selection of all our Chapter officers. The professional "office seeker" should be relegated from our Chapters.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In checking over the amounts paid for printing during the past few years it would appear to me that we are, perhaps, paying rather high for the quality of the work that we have been receiving. For instance, the recent Christmas Card sent out by this Grand Chapter was, in my opinion, a disgrace to the Printers' Art. I was ashamed to have my name appear on it. I would recommend that the Grand Secretary be required to draw up an estimate of the necessary printing required in each year and that tenders be requested from the several printers in Calgary able to handle this work. These tenders to be submitted to the Finance Committee and that this committee award the tender to the printer, from

whom, in their judgment, we can obtain the best work at the most reasonable price. Not necessarily the lowest. Any other printing required, but not included in the estimate, shall also be given to this printer for that year.

In some Chapters I have found that the "Secret Work" and "Labyrinth" has not been properly taken care of by the officers to whom it has been entrusted. Frequently copies have been lost or destroyed. I would recommend that the Grand Secretary have printed a form to be signed at time of receiving copies of this "work," this form to be signed in duplicate, one copy to be kept by the Chapter, the other to be forwarded to the Grand Secretary so that we may have a record of those who have copies of this "work."

It would seem to me that far too much attention is being paid in some of our Chapters, especially in the Calgary Chapters, to the introduction of so-called "visitors." I sat in one Chapter one evening and the "Introduction of Visitors" took up over forty-five minutes, while the Grand, Past Grands, elected Grand Officers, appointed Grand Officers, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Past Matrons and Past Patrons and so on were paraded before the membership and "Introduced." Many of these had been frequent visitors in this Chapter and some of them were even members of that Chapter. It was very triesome to me and I could not help thinking how much more so it must have been to those members sitting "on the sides" while all this "bally-hoo" and "palaver" was going on. I cannot see why a Past Grand Matron or a Past Grand Patron should be "introduced," "welcomed" and given "Grand Honors" every time they step inside a Chapter room, or for that matter, why this continual "introduction" of Grand Officers, etc., should be carried any further. It is, to my way of thinking, both unfraternal and undemocratic and I would recommend that it be greatly curtailed in future.

In her report submitted to this Grand Chapter in 1930, Sister Gibson recommended, "That this Grand Jurisdiction have a standing Ritual and Book of Instruction Committee, same to be appointed at Grand Session immediately prior to the meeting of General Grand Chapter, in order that instructions to Subordinate Chapters may be kept up to date. Any changes to be printed in leaflet form and sent to all Chapters." This recommendation was approved and a committee was appointed, but the duties of this committee were only partly carried out with the result that many misunderstandings have arisen throughout the jurisdiction as in some cases the committee's report did not agree with the wording of the Ritual. As there will be a meeting of General Grand Chapter again this year I would recommend that the present committee be discharged, that a new committee be appointed and that this committee be instructed to abide by Sister Gibson's recommendation made in 1930.

In looking through copies of the proceedings for former years, I find many instances of where a Grand Matron or a Grand Patron has made certain recommendations or have answered certain questions in their reports. Later these recommendations or answers were approved (or not approved) by Grand Chapter, but in order to find just what the final

disposition of these recommendations or answers were, one must hunt through the reports of the various committees to which they had been referred and at times it is almost impossible to find the final disposition of these recommendations. I would therefore recommend that in future the recommendations made by the Grand Matron or the Grand Patron, or the answer to any question submitted to them, have inserted, in brackets, immediately following the recommendation or answer the words "Approved" or "Not Approved" as the case may be. This, I believe, would greatly simplify this matter.

Many of our Chapters have never had a visit from a Worthy Grand Patron during his term of office and I believe that most of them would appreciate an occasional visit from this officer. I would therefore recommend that Fifty Dollars be advanced to the incoming Grand Patrons to assist in defraying their expenses in visiting Chapters.

COURTESIES AND APPRECIATIONS

I would like to express my appreciation for the lovely gift I received from my own Chapter, Unity, No. 26, at the time of my installation and for the many acts of kindness that they have tendered to me.

To Sister and Brither Cullens, Sister and Brother Wiseman and Sister and Brother Stretton I owe my sincere thanks for your generous hospitality and to the many other sisters and brothers in whose homes I have been a visitor throughout my year I also extend my heartfelt appreciation.

I have considered it a privilege and an honor to have served as your Grand Patron with Sister Dawson as Grand Matron. Our fraternal relationships have been most happy at all times, whether it was when driving through mud or almost impenetrable fog on the highways in our attempts to reach some Chapter meeting or when delving through Grand Chapter business. It has been a pleasure to have served this year with Sister Dawson.

The Grand Chapter of Alberta is to be congratulated in having Brother Sam J. Blair as its Grand Secretary and like all my predecessors I would express my appreciation to Brother Blair for the many helpful acts he has rendered me and the veritable storehouse of information that has been mine for the asking.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons and the other Grand Officers I thank you for your unflinching kindnesses and assistance at any time that I have required it.

This year there is no "Grand Wife" for me to say to "Thank You, Dear," but I feel I should at least say "Thank You" to Sister Dorothea Cochran, who accompanied me on many of my trips and who "got little sleep" time and time again after a long trip home from some meeting in the country. I also owe her my thanks for bringing Sister Dawson back to Calgary after the meeting at Okotoks.

CONCLUSION

My year as your Grand Patron will soon be over. It has been one of very great pleasure to me and it will be somewhat with regret that I pass on my duties to my successor, but I also ask for him that spirit of friendliness and co-operation which I have at all times received.

For me, it has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served as your Grand Patron, and again, Sister and Brothers, I thank you.

Fraternally yours,

E. A. W. RUTHERFORD,
Worthy Grand Patron.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

Calgary, 15th May, 1934

Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and Members,
Grand Chapter of Alberta, O.E.S.

The cycle of time has made another revolution and the time has again arrived for my annual report as Grand Secretary.

A very large portion of the work of this office is of a routine nature and while it takes a lot of time, a detailed report of it would be of little interest to you.

During the past year, we have been called upon to take material losses, both in membership and revenue; the loss in membership is 192, owing partly to the reduction in Grand Chapter dues; the loss in revenue, the loss in this branch of the revenue amounts to \$498.35; in supplies furnished Chapters, the loss amounts to \$141.92 and in dispensations issued \$23.00, a total loss in revenue of \$663.27; from the balance sheet, it will be seen that our assets over liabilities is \$239.71 less than a year ago, indicating that our expenses have exceeded our revenue by that amount.

Summary of membership report:

Members at December 31st, 1932 -----	5125
Initiated during 1933 -----	129
Affiliated during 1933 -----	65
Reinstated during 1933 -----	5 199
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	5324
Suspended during 1933 -----	125
Demitted during 1933 -----	231
Died during 1933 -----	35
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	391
Membership, December 31st, 1933 -----	4933
Decrease -----	192
Chartered Chapters -----	76
Chapters under dispensation -----	1
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A review of the reports of Sister Grand Chapters, indicates that conditions are no worse in Alberta than in many other Grand Jurisdictions, we can only look forward with the hope that conditions will show a marked improvement in the near future.

It is pleasing to report, that not only has each Chapter in this jurisdiction paid its Grand Chapter dues in full, but the two Chapters reported delinquent last year, are now paid up in full.

From our outstandings it will be noted that we are carrying credit outstandings, from Chapters whose Charters have been surrendered, I recommend that all such balances be transferred to the Home Fund account, thus disposing of the necessity of carrying these amounts in our outstandings.

To my fellow Grand Officers, I wish to express my great appreciation of the co-operation and assistance shown by each and the earnest desire shown by every one, to faithfully perform the duties pertaining to the office for which they had been selected.

Of the Chapter Secretaries, I wish to say that no one could wish for a more capable or painstaking lot of fellow workers, the promptness and care with which their duties are performed, indicates great pride and pleasure in the faithful discharge of the arduous work assigned to them. In this connection, I wish to point out to our Chapters, that a capable and so far as is possible, a permanent Secretary, is a very valuable asset to your Chapter.

The financial and statistical statements are as follows:

RECAPITULATION OF MEMBERSHIP

No.	Name	Members Last Report	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Suspended	Demitted	Died	Present Membership
1.	Mountain View -----	68	0	1	1	2	3	0	65
4.	Alexandra -----	56	3	0	0	0	1	0	58
5.	Bow Valley -----	170	0	3	0	8	8	1	156
6.	Mizpah -----	136	3	3	0	2	6	1	133
7.	Maple Leaf -----	231	3	1	1	0	5	4	227
8.	Connaught -----	46	4	2	0	1	1	1	49
9.	Killam -----	30	3	0	0	1	3	0	29
10.	Electa -----	26	3	0	0	1	0	0	28
11.	Areme -----	131	4	1	0	1	2	1	132
12.	Occidental -----	161	4	0	0	0	7	2	156
14.	Victoria -----	96	1	1	0	1	6	1	90
17.	Athabasca -----	24	3	0	0	1	0	0	26
18.	Alberta Star -----	75	0	0	0	0	3	3	69
19.	Edmonton -----	186	0	0	0	11	2	0	173
21.	Castlevew -----	67	0	1	0	0	3	0	65
22.	Queen Esther -----	62	1	0	0	0	3	1	59
24.	Norwood -----	96	1	0	0	1	2	0	94
25.	Edith Cavell -----	209	5	2	0	0	12	2	202
26.	Unity -----	69	0	0	2	2	6	0	63
27.	Saint Hilda's -----	70	0	0	0	5	4	0	61
28.	Isis -----	39	1	0	0	5	2	0	33
30.	Trinity -----	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	54

No.	Name	Members Last Report	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Suspended	Demitted	Died	Present Membership
31.	Perfection -----	32	2	0	0	0	2	2	30
32.	Victory -----	87	0	3	0	1	7	0	82
33.	Hardisty -----	20	0	0	0	1	1	0	18
34.	North Star -----	120	3	2	0	0	2	0	123
35.	Somme -----	55	0	0	0	1	5	0	49
36.	Champion -----	47	2	0	0	1	4	1	43
37.	Innisfail -----	56	3	0	0	0	0	1	58
38.	Allenby -----	131	3	5	0	0	1	3	135
39.	Bethel -----	121	0	0	0	0	5	2	114
40.	Fidelity -----	61	0	0	0	7	4	0	50
41.	Minerva -----	43	4	0	0	0	1	0	46
43.	Laurel -----	127	2	5	0	3	5	0	126
44.	Morning Light -----	66	1	0	0	0	2	0	65
45.	Sedgewick -----	31	0	0	0	1	2	0	28
46.	Aurora -----	48	0	0	0	0	4	0	44
47.	Battle River -----	57	2	0	0	3	2	0	54
48.	Evening Star -----	94	1	4	0	4	4	0	91
49.	Temple -----	59	0	1	0	0	4	0	56
50.	Harmony -----	33	1	0	0	0	2	0	32
51.	Heather -----	41	2	0	0	0	3	0	40
52.	Vimy -----	33	0	0	0	0	2	1	30
53.	Fort Macleod -----	65	1	0	0	0	1	0	65
54.	Forestburg -----	40	2	1	0	0	4	0	39
55.	Ruth -----	77	0	1	1	8	7	0	64
56.	Acacia -----	135	2	3	0	2	11	2	125
57.	Joan of Arc -----	82	2	0	0	6	5	1	72
58.	Murray -----	124	6	0	0	1	5	0	124
60.	Excelsior -----	44	0	0	0	0	2	0	42
61.	Acadia -----	23	0	0	0	23	0	0	00
62.	Carstairs -----	47	0	0	0	1	4	0	42
63.	Mount Aylmer -----	49	0	0	0	1	4	1	43
64.	Spray Valley -----	48	1	0	0	0	3	0	46
65.	Farrodale -----	41	2	1	0	0	5	0	39
66.	Amity -----	80	0	3	0	1	8	0	74
67.	Jubilee -----	67	3	0	0	0	2	0	68
68.	Bethany -----	29	0	0	0	4	0	0	25
69.	Rosalon -----	41	1	1	0	0	1	0	42
70.	Wimodausis -----	29	0	0	0	2	0	0	27
71.	Rosebud -----	25	0	0	0	8	17	0	00
72.	Ionic -----	34	1	0	0	0	1	0	34
73.	Douglas Haig -----	70	2	1	0	1	0	2	70
74.	Bellecrest -----	40	2	0	0	0	1	0	41
75.	Saskatchewan Valley -----	51	1	1	0	0	3	1	49
76.	Standard -----	46	4	1	0	0	1	0	50

No.	Name	Members Last Report	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Suspended	Demitted	Died	Present Membership
77.	Iris -----	39	4	0	0	0	2	0	41
78.	Sunrise -----	29	1	0	0	0	0	0	30
79.	Magdalene -----	26	0	0	0	2	0	0	24
80.	Castor -----	38	0	2	0	1	0	0	39
81.	Orion -----	32	1	0	0	0	0	1	32
82.	Barrhead -----	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
83.	Acme -----	42	1	0	0	0	0	0	43
84.	Bessborough -----	30	1	1	0	0	2	0	30
85.	Zenith -----	31	3	1	0	0	0	0	35
86.	Rockyford -----	30	2	2	0	0	1	0	33
87.	Evangeline -----	23	1	1	0	0	0	0	25
88.	Adah -----	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	27
U.D.	Foremost, Inst. Mch. 15th, 1934 -----	—	18	10	0	0	0	0	28
		5125	129	65	5	125	231	35	4933
		Decrease, 192							

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES ON HAND

Blank Forms—

1500	Petitions for Initiation -----	\$ 9.00
3500	Petitions for Affiliation -----	21.00
1000	Reference for Petitions -----	5.00
3000	Notices of Rejection -----	15.00
1500	Notices of Reinstatement -----	7.50
3000	Notices of Suspension -----	15.00
2500	Demits -----	15.00
1500	Applications for Special Dispensation -----	9.00
400	Special Dispensations -----	4.00
400	Ledger Sheets -----	9.00
350	Annual Reports -----	14.00
1200	Membership Certificates -----	30.00
125	Honorary Membership Certificates -----	7.50
175	Past Matron Certificates -----	17.50
100	Past Patron Certificates -----	10.00
100	Grand Representative Commissions -----	10.00
400	Register Sheets -----	10.00
450	Petitions for Dispensation -----	18.00
100	Dispensations -----	10.00
1500	Grand Chapter Ballots -----	11.25
1000	Motion Papers -----	3.50
700	Proxy Forms -----	7.00
		\$ 264.25

Blank Books—

80	Receipt Books -----	32.00
90	Order Books -----	36.00
8	By-laws Books -----	12.00
3	Secretary Account Books -----	7.50
26	Treasurer Account Books -----	28.60
13	Chapter Registers (small) -----	32.50
5	Chapter Registers (large) -----	26.50
19	Record Books -----	42.75
8	Ledger Binders with Index -----	41.60
18	Grand Chapter Account Books -----	14.40
1	Grand Chapter Credit Book -----	80
		<hr/> 274.65

Miscellaneous—

1960	Constitutions -----	196.00
780	Eastern Star History -----	226.20
1200	Standard By-Laws -----	24.00
500	Chapter Odes -----	16.00
25	Receipt Cases -----	5.00
200	Mailing Wrappers -----	2.40
300	White Ballots -----	4.40
300	White Ballots (china) -----	2.25
100	Black Cubes -----	3.20
7	Bound Proceedings -----	17.55
	Ribbon -----	25.00
	Music -----	5.00
	Envelopes -----	10.00
		<hr/> 537.00
Total cost of supplies on hand -----		<hr/> \$1,075.90

Grand Chapter Equipment—

1	Grand Chapter Seal -----	\$ 1.00
1	Membership Record Book -----	1.00
1	Cut of Letter Head -----	1.00
2	Cuts of Seal -----	1.00
2	Ledger Binders -----	2.00
1	Trunk -----	\$ 15.25
	Less 10% nine years -----	13.65 1.60
1	Typewriter -----	150.00
	Less 10% eight years -----	120.00 30.00
1	Ledger Binder -----	8.00
	Less 10% three years -----	2.40 5.60
1	Steel Filing Case -----	7.40
	Less 10% three years -----	2.25 5.15
1	Grand Matron's Jewel -----	20.00
	Less 10% three years -----	6.00 14.00
		<hr/> \$ 62.35

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS

Chapter	G.C. Dues	Supplies	Dispen.	Total
Mountain View -----	\$ 42.25	\$ 6.02	-----	\$ 48.28
Venus -----	-----	77.23	-----	77.23
Alexandra -----	37.70	4.30	-----	42.00
Bow Valley -----	101.40	7.50	1.00	109.90
Mizpah -----	86.45	11.40	-----	97.85
Maple Leaf -----	147.55	22.00	-----	169.55
Connaught -----	31.85	6.35	-----	38.20
Killam -----	18.85	7.95	-----	26.80
Electa -----	18.20	5.05	-----	23.25
Areme -----	85.80	18.30	-----	104.10
Occidental -----	101.40	11.50	-----	112.90
Victoria -----	58.80	6.50	-----	65.00
Athabasca -----	16.90	10.30	-----	27.20
Alberta Star -----	44.85	2.30	-----	47.15
Edmonton -----	112.45	5.10	-----	117.55
Castleview -----	42.25	4.30	-----	46.55
Queen Esther -----	38.35	5.20	-----	43.55
Norwood -----	61.10	30.75	-----	91.85
Edith Cavel -----	131.30	13.70	-----	145.00
Unity -----	40.95	7.00	-----	47.95
St. Hilda's -----	39.65	6.20	-----	45.85
Isis -----	21.45	3.50	-----	24.95
Trinity -----	75.60	1.55	-----	77.15
Perfection -----	19.50	1.25	1.00	21.75
Victory -----	53.30	6.30	-----	59.60
Hardisty -----	11.70	.75	-----	12.45
North Star -----	79.95	24.35	-----	104.50
Somme -----	31.85	3.00	-----	34.85
Champion -----	27.95	6.50	-----	34.45
Innisfail -----	37.70	4.90	-----	42.60
Allenby -----	87.75	25.45	-----	113.20
Bethel -----	74.10	6.00	-----	80.10
Fidelity -----	32.50	4.15	1.00	37.65
Minerva -----	29.90	17.55	-----	47.45
Laurel -----	81.90	19.15	1.00	100.05
Morning Light -----	42.25	7.65	-----	49.90
Sedgewick -----	18.20	4.65	-----	22.85
Aurora -----	28.60	10.85	-----	39.45
Battle River -----	35.10	6.30	-----	41.40
Evening Star -----	59.15	7.30	-----	66.45
Temple -----	36.40	5.45	-----	41.85
Harmony -----	20.80	4.40	-----	25.20
Heather -----	26.00	2.75	-----	28.75
Vimy -----	19.50	5.95	-----	25.45
Fort Macleod -----	42.25	6.95	1.00	50.20
Forestburg -----	25.35	.65	1.00	27.00
Ruth -----	41.60	14.30	-----	55.90
Acacia -----	81.25	26.55	1.00	108.80

Chapter	G.C. Dues	Supplies	Dispen.	Total
Joan of Arc -----	46.80	6.45	-----	53.25
Murray -----	80.60	11.65	-----	92.25
Excelsior -----	27.30	8.70	1.00	37.00
Acadia -----	14.95	74.13	-----	89.08
Carstairs -----	27.30	3.65	-----	30.95
Mount Aylmer -----	27.95	8.60	-----	36.55
Spray Valley -----	29.90	5.15	-----	35.05
Ferrodale -----	25.35	5.75	-----	31.10
Amity -----	48.10	4.99	-----	53.09
Jubilee -----	44.20	4.30	-----	48.50
Bethany -----	38.00	3.65	-----	41.65
Rosalon -----	27.30	4.55	-----	31.85
Wimodausis -----	17.55	1.15	-----	18.70
Rosebud -----	-----	.75	-----	.75
Ionic -----	22.10	5.85	-----	27.95
Douglas Haig -----	45.50	6.60	1.00	53.10
Bellecrest -----	26.65	5.60	-----	32.25
Saskatchewan Valley -----	31.85	7.50	-----	39.35
Standard -----	32.50	16.80	-----	49.30
Iris -----	26.65	12.30	-----	38.95
Sunrise -----	19.50	1.85	-----	21.35
Magdalene -----	15.60	3.00	-----	18.60
Castor -----	25.35	9.70	-----	35.05
Orion -----	20.80	6.15	-----	26.95
Barrhead -----	18.85	3.05	-----	21.90
Acme -----	27.95	16.65	2.00	46.60
Bessborough -----	19.50	2.40	-----	21.90
Zenith -----	22.75	11.85	-----	34.60
Rockyford -----	21.45	5.55	1.00	28.00
Evangeline -----	16.25	21.75	-----	38.00
Adah -----	17.55	46.40	1.00	64.95
Foremost -----	-----	.15	25.00	25.15
Balance as per last report -----	-----	47.80	-----	-----
For supplies to Grand Officers -----	-----	2.25	-----	50.05
	<u>\$3,265.45</u>	<u>\$ 871.98</u>	<u>\$ 38.00</u>	<u>\$4,175.43</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Deposit in Bank to credit of Grand Chapter -----	\$4,155.63
Amount paid as exchange on Cheques -----	19.80
	<u>\$4,175.43</u>

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance in Bank last report -----	\$ 215.16
Interest on Bank balance -----	5.67
Interest on Provincial Bonds -----	120.00
	<u>\$ 340.83</u>
Standing of Fund:	
Invested in Provincial Bonds -----	\$2,000.00
Balance in Bank -----	340.83
	<u>\$2,340.83</u>

LEDGER ACCOUNTS OUTSTANDING

Chapter	Dr	Cr.
Venus -----	-----	\$ 21.96
Alexandra -----	4.55	-----
Bow Valley -----	.75	-----
Mizpah -----	-----	.05
Electa -----	.15	-----
Occidental -----	-----	.30
Athabasca -----	.15	-----
Alberta Star -----	-----	.65
Edmonton -----	-----	.85
Queen Esther -----	-----	.30
Norwood -----	-----	14.10
Unity -----	.25	-----
St. Hilda's -----	-----	1.70
Trinity -----	.30	-----
Hardisty -----	-----	.40
Somme -----	-----	.30
Champion -----	-----	2.00
Innisfail -----	.15	-----
Allenby -----	-----	.58
Fidelity -----	1.00	-----
Morning Light -----	3.45	-----
Battle River -----	5.85	-----
Aurora -----	.15	-----
Harmony -----	1.20	-----
Fort Macleod -----	.75	-----
Forestburg -----	-----	2.45
Acacia -----	-----	1.00
Excelsior -----	1.35	-----
Acadia -----	-----	69.28
Carstairs -----	.60	-----
Mount Aylmer -----	-----	.10
Amity -----	-----	1.00
Bethany -----	.30	-----
Ionic -----	-----	.10
Bellecrest -----	.15	-----
Sask. Valley -----	-----	.30
Standard -----	-----	2.51
Sunrise -----	-----	.95
Magdalene -----	1.80	-----
Orion -----	-----	.65
Bessborough -----	2.80	-----
Rockyford -----	-----	.60
Evangeline -----	.15	-----
Adah -----	-----	5.50
Foremost -----	71.85	-----
Cascade -----	-----	17.85
Ruth -----	.15	-----
Totals -----	\$ 97.85	\$ 145.48

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Balance in Bank:

Current Account -----	\$2,907.84
Savings Account -----	340.83
Invested in Provincial Government Bonds -----	2,000.00
Chapter Supplies on hand -----	1,075.90
Grand Chapter Equipment -----	62.35
Ledger Accounts Outstanding -----	97.85
	<hr/> \$6,484.77

LIABILITIES

Ledger Accounts Overpaid -----	145.48
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Assets over liabilities -----	\$6,339.29

Fraternally submitted,

SAM J. BLAIR,
Grand Secretary.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

Calgary, May 15th, 1934.

Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and Members,
Grand Chapter of Alberta, Order of the Eastern Star.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

It is with pleasure and appreciation of your confidence that I submit for your approval a statement of the receipts and disbursements for the year ending April 30th, 1934.

An additional sum of \$2,000.00, has been invested in Provincial Government Bonds from the Home Fund Account. For these bonds we paid \$1,900.15, invested from this Fund. Leaving a balance of \$1,569.04, in the Savings Bank.

Herewith I submit details of the various Funds of this Grand Chapter.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

1933					
May	1	To	Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia -----		\$2,543.67
		"	Return of Loan to Home Fund -----		300.00
July	27	"	Deposit -----	\$	36.35
Oct.	6	"	" -----		106.59
Dec.	4	"	" -----		158.30
1934					
Jan.	4	"	" -----		209.78
Jan.	16	"	" -----		849.00
Jan.	25	"	" -----		1,064.35
Feb.	2	"	" -----		650.05
Feb.	27	"	" -----		710.98
March	23	"	" -----		138.25
April	17	"	" -----		152.78
April	30	"	" -----		78.84
					<u>4,155.63</u>
		Total Receipts -----			\$6,999.30

DISBURSEMENTS

Date	No.	Name	Amount
1933			
May	18	858 J. W. Quinney -----	\$ 30.00
		859 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	53.46
		860 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	2.50
		861 Walter G. Agnew -----	45.00

Date	No.	Name	Amount
May	22	862 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	150.00
June	1	863 E. Grace Scaife -----	8.00
		864 Mary C. McClenaghan -----	8.00
		865 Jennie M. Blair -----	8.00
		866 Alice Darlow -----	8.00
		867 May I. Irvine -----	8.00
		868 Jessie Flett -----	8.00
		869 Ella L. Beaubier -----	8.00
		870 Ella C. Isaac -----	8.00
		871 Maude L. Cullens -----	8.00
		872 H. G. Stretton -----	8.00
		873 Sam J. Blair -----	8.00
		874 S. J. Hughes -----	8.00
		875 M. W. Dawson -----	8.00
		876 W. J. Steel -----	8.00
		877 E. A. W. Rutherford -----	8.00
		878 Ellen Dunn -----	8.00
		879 S. Edith Dawson -----	8.00
		880 Margaret Logie -----	8.00
		881 Alice M. Sparling -----	8.00
		882 Mary Turner -----	8.00
		883 Edna A. McFee -----	8.00
		884 Emily L. McKeague -----	8.00
		885 Charlotte Price -----	8.00
		886 Grace K. Tilley -----	8.00
		887 Cascade Hall Co. -----	145.00
		888 King Edward Hotel -----	66.15
		889 Mildred K. Schanbecker -----	20.00
		890 Sam J. Blair -----	200.00
June	10	891 W. J. Steel -----	15.00
		892 Henry Birks & Sons -----	17.00
		893 O. E. Tisdale Agencies -----	15.00
		894 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	51.5
June	23	895 DeMoulin Bros. and Co. -----	16.81
		896 Sam J. Blair -----	163.40
		897 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	1.75
		898 Rose Tucker -----	2.00
		899 S. Edith Dawson -----	100.00
		900 S. Burnand -----	45.05
July	19	901 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	215.60
		902 Wick Narrow Fabric Co. -----	5.04
		903 E. Grace Scaife -----	6.00
		904 Sam J. Blair -----	125.00
July	29	905 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	146.81
Aug.	9	906 S. Edith Dawson -----	200.00
Aug.	24	907 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	9.00
		908 Sam J. Blair -----	171.55
		909 DeMoulin Bros. & Co. -----	12.13
Sept.	26	910 Sam J. Blair -----	125.00
Oct.	7	911 W. J. Steel -----	7.85

Date	No.	Name	Amount
Oct.	25	912 R. S. Gillespie Agency -----	6.48
		913 Sam J. Blair -----	186.00
Nov.	10	914 S. Edith Dawson -----	50.00
		915 S. Burnand -----	30.21
Nov.	20	916 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	4.00
		917 Sam J. Blair -----	125.00
Dec.	26	918 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	37.09
		919 General Grand Chapter -----	18.25
		920 Sam J. Blair -----	158.80
		921 Walter G. Agnew -----	1.75
		922 A. B. Cushing Mills -----	7.35
1934			
Jan.	13	923 S. Edith Dawson -----	235.75
Jan.	29	924 Sam J. Blair -----	164.85
		925 General Grand Chapter -----	50.75
March	3	926 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	1.75
		927 W. J. Steel -----	8.00
		928 Sam J. Blair -----	125.00
		929 John D. McAra Ltd. -----	27.56
March	13	930 S. Edith Dawson -----	9.43
March	19	931 E. A. W. Rutherford -----	15.80
March	28	932 Co-Operative Letter Co. -----	1.50
		933 Sam J. Blair -----	149.15
April	3	934 S. Burnand -----	49.61
April	26	935 Sam J. Blair -----	271.70
Balance in Bank -----			\$4,091.46
			<u>2,907.84</u>
			\$6,999.30

THE T. H. WILSON HOME FUND ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

1933			
May	1	Balance in Savings Account -----	\$1,547.31
June	30	Credit by Bank on Account of Interest---\$	12.99
Oct.	6	Deposit -----	66.71
Oct.	10	" -----	494.40
Nov.	3	" -----	62.37
July	27	" -----	90.03
Dec.	31	Credit by Bank on Account of Interest---	12.25
1934			
Jan.	16	Deposit -----	30.75
March	23	" -----	119.22
March	27	" -----	554.27
April	17	" -----	147.60
April	30	" -----	336.80
			<u>\$1,927.39</u>
Total Receipts -----			\$3,474.70

DISBURSEMENTS

Oct.	14	H.F. 10 Royal Securities Corp'n. -----	\$1,900.51	
		Cheque charged back by Bank -----	5.15	
April	30	Balance in Bank -----	1,569.04	
			<hr/>	\$3,474.70

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

May	1	Balance in Bank -----		\$ 215.16
Oct.	10	Deposit -----	\$ 60.00	
April	17	Deposit -----	60.00	
		Credit by Bank Account of Interest -----	5.67	
			<hr/>	\$ 125.67
		Total Receipts -----		\$ 340.83
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		Balance in Bank -----		\$ 340.83

As Grand Treasurer I desire to record in this report appreciation of all courtesies shown me, and the congenial relations enjoyed with the Grand Officers and Members of the different Chapters, I have been closely associated with this year, and to Brother Blair, for his valuable assistance so graciously given at all times. I am ever grateful.

Fraternally submitted,

MARY HARWOOD,
Grand Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT ON HOME FUND

Calgary, 15th May, 1934

Grand Chapter of Alberta,
Order of the Eastern Star.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The amounts received for the benefit of this fund have not been as large per Chapter as in some former years, it must however, be very gratifying to your Committee to note that while only 23 Chapters appear as donors in the report of a year ago, this year 49 Chapters have made donations.

During the year we have purchased Alberta Provincial Government 5% Bonds to a value of two thousand dollars at a cost of \$1,889.00 plus accrued interest of \$11.51, it will be noted that these Bonds bear interest at only 5%, yet at the price paid for them, they will nett about $5\frac{3}{8}\%$ on the investment, the present indications are that a lower rate of interest will be paid on future investments.

Vimy Chapter, No. 52, of Blairmore, with 30 members has made the largest donation per capita.

I wish also to acknowledge receipt of donations from Battle River, Morning Light, Jubilee and Zenith Chapters, these were received after April 30th and were too late to be included in the following list.

Donations by Chapters are as follows:—

Allenby Chapter	\$ 82.30
Acacia Chapter	36.75
Mizpah Chapter	35.00
Vimy Chapter	33.15
Crescent Chapter	30.78
Rosebud Chapter	27.80
Iris Chapter	23.25
Queen Esther Chapter	20.00
Fort Macleod Chapter	20.00
Victory Chapter	18.95
Laurel Chapter	18.75
Castor Chapter	18.00
Fidelity Chapter	17.05
Ruth Chapter	17.00
Maple*Leaf Chapter	15.80
Excelsior Chapter	15.00
Edmonton Chapter	14.00
Acme Chapter	12.50
Alexandra Chapter	11.15
Carstairs Chapter	11.00
Minerva Chapter	10.15

Arene Chapter	10.00
Norwood Chapter	10.00
Isis Chapter	10.00
Evening Star Chapter	10.00
Temple Chapter	10.00
Amity Chapter	10.00
Saskatchewan Valley Chapter	10.00
Evangeline Chapter	10.00
Connaught Chapter	8.50
Forestburg Chapter	7.75
Douglas Haig Chapter	7.75
Ionic Chapter	7.65
St. Hilda's Chapter	7.25
Bessborough Chapter	6.85
Wimodausis Chapter	6.10
Electa Chapter	5.50
Ferrodale Chapter	5.10
Bethany Chapter	5.10
Trinity Chapter	5.00
Heather Chapter	5.00
Bellecrest Chapter	5.00
Standard Chapter	5.00
Rockyford Chapter	5.00
Rosalin Chapter	4.50
Perfection Chapter	3.65
Adah Chapter	3.50
Alberta Star Chapter	3.25
Killam Chapter	2.00
	<hr/> \$ 677.83
Amount received from Chapters	\$ 677.83
From interest on investments	1,199.99
Sale of matured Victory Bond	50.00
	<hr/> \$1,927.82
Deposit in Savings Bank	1,922.24
Paid Bank exchange	5.58
	<hr/> \$1,927.82

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Balance in Savings Bank	\$ 1,569.04
Invested in Vicory Bonds	400.00
Invested in Provincial Bonds	20,500.00
	<hr/> \$22,469.04
Liabilities	Nil
Present worth	\$22,469.04

Fraternally submitted,

SAM J. BLAIR,
Secretary Home Fund.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

808 16th Avenue West,
Calgary, Alta.,
May 18th, 1934.

To the Officers and Members of the
Grand Chapter of Alberta, O.E.S.

I herewith tender my Report and Balance Sheet, covering the Audit of the Accounts, Books and Vouchers of the Grand Chapter, for the year ending April 30th, 1934.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. QUINNEY,
Auditor.

HOME FUND ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

1933—		
May 1st—	To Cash in Bank -----	\$1,847.31
1934—		
April 30th—	To Receipts from Chapters -----	682.98
	To Interest on Bank Balance -----	25.24
	To Interest on Victory Bonds -----	24.75
	To Interest on Provincial Government Bonds--	1,150.00
	To Sale of Victory Bond -----	50.00
		\$3,780.28

EXPENDITURES

1934—		
April 30—	By Exchange on Cheques -----	\$ 5.58
	By Cost of Prov. of Sask. Bonds purchased	
	(value \$2,000.00) -----	1,900.51
	Transferred to Current Account -----	300.00
	Jubilee Chapter Cheque charged back -----	5.15
	Balance in Bank -----	1,569.04
		\$3,780.28

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

1933—		
May 1st—	To Cash in Bank -----	\$ 215.16
1934—		
April 30th—	To Interest on Bonds -----	120.00
	To Interest on Bank Balance -----	5.67
		\$ 340.83
1934—		
April 30—	Balance in Bank -----	\$ 340.83
		\$ 340.83

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

GRAND CHAPTER ACCOUNT

Province of Alberta Bonds:

T.0001	-----	\$1,000.00	
T.0002	-----	1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 2,000.00

HOME FUND ACCOUNT

Dominion of Canada Victory Bonds:

A.009283	-----	\$ 100.00	
A.009284	-----	100.00	
A.009285	-----	100.00	
A.009286	-----	100.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 400.00

Province of Alberta Bonds:

1965	-----	\$ 500.00	
0495	-----	1,000.00	
0496	-----	1,000.00	
0538	-----	1,000.00	
0539	-----	1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,500.00

Province of Saskatchewan Bonds:

BW4064	-----	\$ 500.00	
BW6449	-----	500.00	
BW2252	-----	1,000.00	
BW4693	-----	1,000.00	
BW4694	-----	1,000.00	
BW4695	-----	1,000.00	
BW5263	-----	1,000.00	
BW8142	-----	1,000.00	
BW8558	-----	1,000.00	
BW8559	-----	1,000.00	
BW8560	-----	1,000.00	
BW8564	-----	1,000.00	
BW8565	-----	1,000.00	
BW8566	-----	1,000.00	
BW8567	-----	1,000.00	
BW8568	-----	1,000.00	
BW8569	-----	1,000.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 16,000.00
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			\$ 22,900.00

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	
Current Account -----	\$ 2,907.84
Savings Account -----	340.83
Home Fund Account -----	1,569.04
Accounts Receivable (from Chapters) -----	97.85
Inventory—	
Supplies on Hand -----	1,075.90
Grand Chapter Equipment (less Depreciation) -----	62.35
Investments—	
Bonds, Grand Chapter Account -----	2,000.00
Bonds, Home Fund Account -----	20,950.00
Interest Accrued on Bonds at April 30, 1934 -----	196.82
Prepaid Insurance -----	4.78
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	\$ 29,205.41

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable (to Chapters) -----	\$ 145.48
Net Present Worth -----	29,059.93
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	\$ 29,205.41

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Grand Chapter, together with the Bonds as detailed in the Investment Account, for the year ending April 30th, 1934.

I submit herewith Statements and Balance Sheet which according to the information received and the explanations given by your Grand Secretary, represent a true and correct statement of the affairs of the Grand Chapter as at April 30th, 1934.

I have also inspected the Insurance Policy, and the Bond of the Grand Secretary.

Owing to an oversight on the part of the Insurance Company, the Grand Treasurer's Bond has not been delivered although the premium is paid in full. This therefore could not be examined under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. QUINNEY,
Auditor.

